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1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account of the Company made up to 30th June, 1925.
2. To declare a Dividend.
3. To elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.
4. To appoint an Auditor for the ensuing year and to fix his remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 21st December, 1925, to 4th January, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PREMJI OOKERDA & CO.,
Secretaries and Agents.

Bombay, 7th December, 1925.
C24685

STOLEN.

THE BHAVANAGAR STATE BOND No. 3712 of 1915 for Rs. 1,000, originally standing in the name of Nagindas Chunilal, and last endorsed to Ratilal Dwarkadas, the proprietor by whom it was never endorsed to any other person.

Notice is hereby given that payment of above bond and interest thereupon have been stopped at the office of the Controller of Accounts, Bhavanagar, and that application is about to be made for the issue of a duplicate in favour of the proprietor. The public are cautioned against purchasing or otherwise dealing with the abovementioned bond.

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IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PRINCIPAL REGISTER and the Branch Registers of the Imperial Bank of India will be CLOSED for transfer of shares from SATURDAY, the 2nd January, 1926, to SATURDAY, the 16th January, 1926, both days inclusive.

N. M. MURRAY,
Managing Governor.

Calcutta, 2nd December, 1925.
C24654

GWALIOR RACES 1926.

FIRST MEETING.

TUESDAY, 9th February.
THURSDAY, 11th February.
SATURDAY, 13th February.

FIRST ENTRIES CLOSE 23RD JANUARY.

SECOND MEETING.

TUESDAY, 16th March.
THURSDAY, 18th March.
SATURDAY, 20th March.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

NO SOLAR ECLIPSE AT KURUKSHETRA

THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF OBSERVATORIES, who is the Principal Astronomer of Government, has confirmed the statements of the eminent Hindu Astrologers, who are definitely of opinion that the Solar Eclipse of 14th January, 1926, will only be visible in the Southern and Eastern parts of India and not at Kurukshetra. No Sun Eclipse Fair will therefore be held at Kurukshetra on this occasion.

Vernacular papers please copy.

By Order,
TELU RAM,
Secretary, Karnal District Board.
C24564

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 3487 of 1925.

SHORT CAUSE.

Plaint presented and filed 25th day of November, 1925.

Summons to answer Plaint under Section 27, Order V, Rules 1, 5, 7 and 8, and Order VIII, Rule 9 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

THE AUTO SUPPLY COMPANY, LIMITED, a Joint Stock Company, registered under the Indian Company's Act VII of 1913, having its Registered Office at Delhi ... Plaintiffs.

(1) ANANT KESHAV EKBOTE, of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, a Merchant, lately residing at Sandhurst Road, whose whereabouts are not known now and (2) GANGARAM BHAVANIRAM, a Merchant, Hindu Inhabitant, of Maheshwar, in the Indore State ..... Defendants.

GEORGE V, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, Greeting. WHEREAS the abovenamed Plaintiffs have filed a plaint in this Court against you the abovenamed Defendants whereof the following is a concise statement, viz:—

The Plaintiffs pray that it may be declared that they are entitled to resume possession of the Ford Motor Bus No. Z 8719; that the Defendants may be forthwith ordered to hand over possession of the said Bus to the Plaintiffs; that pending the hearing and final disposal of this suit, the Plaintiffs may be appointed Receivers to take charge of the said Bus; that pending the hearing and final disposal of this Suit, the Defendants may be restrained by an Order and Injunction of this Honourable Court from disposing of or in any way dealing with the said Car; that the 1st Defendant may be ordered to pay to the Plaintiffs the sum of Rs. 210-13-4 per month from February, 1925, till possession of the said Bus is recovered by the Plaintiffs with interest thereon at 1 per cent. per month till judgment; that in the alternative, the 1st Defendant be ordered to pay to the Plaintiffs the sum of Rs. 210-13-4 per month as and by way of damages till recovery of possession by the Plaintiffs of the said Bus, that the 2nd Defendant be ordered to pay to the Plaintiffs the sum of Rs. 210-13-4 per month from February, 1925, till recovery of possession by the Plaintiffs of the said Bus; that the Defendants be ordered to pay to the plaintiffs the costs of this suit and interest on judgment, at 6 per cent. per annum.

You are hereby summoned to appear in this Court on the 12th day of January 1926, at quarter past eleven o'clock standard time in the forenoon, in person or by an Advocate duly instructed by an Attorney of this Court and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit, or who shall be accompanied by some other person able to answer all such questions to answer the abovenamed Plaintiffs, and as the day fixed for your appearance is appointed for the final disposal of the suit, you must produce all your witnesses on that day, and you are, hereby required to take notice that in default of your appearance on the day before mentioned, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence; and you will bring with you (or send by your attorney) any document in your possession or power containing evidence relating to the merits of the Plaintiffs' case or upon which you intend to rely in support of your case.

Witness Sir NORMAN CRANSTOUN MACLEOD, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid, this 9th day of December, 1925.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

E. J. DAVAR,
For Prothonotary.
E. J. DAVAR.

The 9th day of December, 1925.

Messrs. MANILAL KHER & SEQUEIRA,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys.
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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. VITHOBA KASHINATH and GANPAT ABBA, both of Bombay, Hindu inhabitants, have contracted to sell the property described in the Schedule hereunder to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 40-42, Najafee Building, Nanabhai Lane, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All those two pieces or parcels of Government land or ground now merged into one together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling houses standing thereon, situate, lying and being at Kumbharwada, without the Fort, and in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 413 5/9 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 1938-1941 and 1938-1941, New Nos. 9075, A/9075, Old Survey No. 323-323, New Survey No. 5010, 2, 5010, and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under C Ward No. 7663, 7664 (1), 7664 (2), and Street Nos. 182, 184 to 192 and 1, and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by the said Kumbharwada Road, on or towards the West by Sweeper's Passage, on or towards the North by the property of Soonder Balaji and Krishna Balaji, and on or towards the South by the property of Ramji Vella.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1925.

THAKORDAS & DARU,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

C24681

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Suit No. 3508 of 1925

Messrs. CAPTAIN AND VAIDYA, carrying on business as Solicitors at 12J, Esplanade Road, within the Fort of Bombay .....Plaintiffs.

vs.

(1) ESMAILBHOY VIRJIBHOY MADANI, (2) SAFFARALLY CURRIMBHOY SOONAWALLA, both of Bombay, Cutchi Mahomedan inhabitants, residing at Chowpatty and Sandhurst Road respectively, the Administrators and legal representatives of the estate and effects of Alimahomed Virjibhoy deceased. .....Defendants.

To,

ESMAILBHOY VIRJIBHOY MADANI

and

SAFFARALLY CURRIMBHOY SOONAWALLA.

The Defendants abovenamed.

TAKE NOTICE that the Plaintiffs abovenamed have filed the above suit against you as the Administrators and legal representatives of the estate of Alimahomed Virjibhai deceased for the recovery of the sum of Rs. 4,950 and costs out of the estate of the said Alimahomed Virjibhai come to your hands and you are summoned to appear in the above Court on the 5th day of January, 1926, at 11.30 a.m. (S.T.) which is fixed for the hearing and final disposal of the suit. In default of your appearance on the day aforesaid the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

Dated this 18th day of December, 1925.

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE AND ARTISTIC MADE-TO-ORDER HOUSE-HOLD FURNITURE OF THE LATEST DESIGN.

To-morrow, SUNDAY, the 20th of December, 1925, at 10-30 a.m. (S.T.) Messrs. BENNETT and CO., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the "Tower," Middle Colaba, opposite to the Post Office, very valuable and handsome household furniture of the latest design, large and small dining table, arm and without arm chairs, fancy sideboards and dinner wagons, carpets, ice-boxes, glass, crockery and platedware, one full iron frame cottage piano by Roenisch, electric ceiling fan and table fans A. C. one coal stove with chimney, drawing room Chesterfield suites, drawing room suites of sofas and chairs, fancy cabinets, ornaments, revolving top writing tables, book and silver show cases, small and large writing tables, revolving book stands, phonographs, hat stands, table fans, China vases, Chinaware, reclining sofas, easy chairs, corner cabinets, single and double bedsteads, mirror almyrahs, dressing chest of drawers, cloth and gown presses, teapoys, easy chairs, etc., etc.

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE HOUSE-HOLD FURNITURE OF THE LATEST DESIGN BY ROBERTS, DEWJEE CANJEE, ETC.

To-morrow, SUNDAY, the 20th day of December, 1925, at 2.30 p.m. (S.T.) Messrs. BENNETT and CO., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Cadell Road, Mahim, in the Bungalow of late Mr. Sorabji D. Dubash, valuable and handsome household furniture of the latest design, old blackwood carved furniture large and small, dinning table, arm and without arm chairs, fancy sideboards and dinner wagons, ice boxes, glass, crockery and rich platedware, drawing room Chesterfield suites, drawing room suites of sofas and chairs, fancy cabinets, ornaments, revolving top writing tables, book and silver show cases, small and large writing tables, revolving book-stands, phonographs, sliding dining table, one square piano hat-stands, table fans, China vases, reclining sofas, easy chairs, Persian and Brussel carpets, corner cabinets, single and double bedsteads, mirror almyrahs, dressing chest of drawers, cloth and gown presses, teapoys, easy chairs, etc., etc.

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Under instructions from N. H. Moos, Esq., the receiver appointed in Suit No. 62 of 1925 (H. M. Azamtullakhan vs. Ghaudu Rasul and ors.). Messrs. BENNETT & COY. will this day SATURDAY, the 19th instant sell by Public Auction at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) on the premises:—

ALL that piece of land of Government tenure containing by admeasurement about 296-1/9 square yards and registered by the Collector under Old Nos. 1169-1170, New No. 9333, Old Survey Nos. 2300-2301 and New Survey No. 3753 and C. S. No. 1292 (Byculla Division) together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon and assessed by the Municipality under E Ward No. 67 and Street Nos. 10 and 14 and all which premises are situate on the West side of Sheikh Boorham Commodin Street, and are bounded on the East by the said Sheikh Boorham Coommodin Street, on the West by Sweeper's passage, on the North by the house of Kondaji and on the South by a passage.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. VACHHA & CO. Receiver's Attorneys or to the undersigned.

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SECONDLY.—All that piece of land with the messuages and tenements standing thereon situate at Bellasis Road outside the Fort of Bombay containing by admeasurement 6616 square yards or thereabout and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New No. 13696, 13850, 13666 and 13848, New Survey No. 3573 2A 3566 and Cadastral Survey No. 227, Byculla Division and in the Books of the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under ward Nos. 3333 and 3443 and Street Nos. 229, 231, 1 to 9 and 233 all which premises are bounded on or towards the North by the property of Mohomed Shaikh Abdul Wahed Mishari on or towards the East by Municipal Maternity Home on or towards the South by Bellasis Road and on or towards the West by the property of Ratanbai Burjorji Patel.

THIRDLY.—All that piece of land with the messuages and tenements standing thereon situated at Arthur Road and Clarke Road outside the Fort of Bombay containing by admeasurements 8762—6/9 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Nos. A 13597, 13763, New Survey No. 1/3424, Cadastral Survey No. 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, Byculla Division and in the books of the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and taxes under Ward Nos. 7369 to 7373 and Street Nos. A 1, 1 B, 1 C, 20 to 22 all which premises are bounded on or towards the North West by Arthur Road on or towards the South-West by Jacob Circle on or towards the South by Clarke Road and on or towards the East by the property of the family of Ludha Ebrahim.

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SCHEDULES.

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Date.	Steamers.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons.
19 Dec.	DEVANHA ..		8,151
26 ,,	RAZMAK ..	MOREA* ..	10,919
1926			
2 Jan.	RAWALPINDI		16,100
9 ,,	RAZMAK ..	NARKUNDA ..	16,227
16 ,,	RANCHI ..		16,650
23 ,,	RAZMAK ..	MACEDONIA*	11,089
30 ,,	KAISAR-I-HIND ..		11,430
6 Feb.	RAZMAK ..	MOOLTANx ..	20,847
13 ,,	RANPURA ..		16,585
20 ,,	RAZMAK ..	MALWA* ..	10,941
27 ,,	RAJPUTANA		16,100
6 Mar.	RAZMAK ..	MALOJA x ..	20,837
13 ,,	RAWALPINDI		16,100
20 ,,	RAZMAK o ..		10,602
27 ,,	RANCHI ..		16,650
31 ,,	CHINA† ..		7,952
3 April	NALDERAx ..		15,993
10 ,,	KAISAR-I-HIND ..		11,430
17 ,,	RAZMAK ..	MOREA* ..	10,919
24 ,,	RANPURA ..		16,585
1 May	RAZMAK ..	NARKUNDAx ..	16,227
8 ,,	RAJPUTANA		16,109
15 ,,	RAZMAK ..	MACEDONIA ..	11,080
22 ,,	RAWALPINDI		16,100
29 ,,	RAZMAK ..	MOOLTAN ..	20,847

x Through steamers from Australia have limited accommodation for passengers from India.
*Through steamers from China have limited accommodation for passengers from India.
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BRITISH INDIA SAILINGS.
Bombay to Port Said and Plymouth.

Date about.	Steamers.	Tons.
1926		
14th Jan.	WARFIELD* ..	5,000
4th Feb.	CHARINDA* ..	5,306
18th Feb.	GOLCONDA* ..	5,316
18th Mar.	DOMALA ..	8,441
8th April	MARGHA ..	8,278
29th April	DUMANA ..	8,427
20th May	WARFIELD* ..	5,000
10th June	Cargo Steamer ..	[illegible]

*Cargo vessels only, will not convey Passengers.

P. & O. SAILINGS TO COLOMBO, STRAITS CHINA, JAPAN and AUSTRALIA.

22nd Dec.	DELTA .. connecting at Colombo with MONGOLIA ..	Straits, China, Japan. Australia.
31st Dec. 1926	MIRZAPORE* ..	China, Japan.
8th Jan.	JEYPORE* ..	China, & Japan.
19th Jan.	KASHMIR connecting at Colombo with CATHAY ..	Straits, China, Japan. Australia
24th ,,	NAGPORE* ..	China & Japan.
31st ,,	KIDDERPORE* ..	China & Japan.
16th Feb.	LAHORE* ..	China & Japan.
2nd Apl.	MOOLTAN ..	Colombo and Australia.
2nd Mar.	DELTA .. connecting at Colombo with NARKUNDA ..	Straits, China, Japan. Australia.

*Will not convey Passengers.

BRITISH INDIA SAILINGS.
TO AFRICA, KARACHI, PERSIAN GULF, TUTICORIN, COLOMBO, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND RANGOON.

19th Dec.	CHAKLA ..	Karachi & Kathiawar Coast ports.	
21st ,,	VITA ..	Karachi & Kathiawar Coast ports.	
23rd ,,	BARODA ..	Bussreh via Karachi and P. Gulf ports.	
23rd ,,	KHANDALLA ..	East & S. Africa.	
25th ,,	VASNA ..	Bussreh via Karachi.	

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ARRIVALS.

Dec. 18.

Rawalpindi, Redhead, from London.
Barpeta, Denne, from Busrah.
Chindwara, Briskey, from Rangoon.
Begum, Perry, from Java.
Havildar, Palmer from Java.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 19.

Standard Arrow, Dovel for New York.
Ariostot, Biggins for Hull.
Lokushima Maru, Kuba for Kobe,
Devanha, Furlong, for London.

LOADING.

Dec. 18.

Steamer Rawalpindi for London.
Steamer Jalaveera for Karachi.
Silvio Pellico for Trieste.
Steamer Vasna for Busrah.
Steamer Rajput for Calcutta.

VESSELS IN THE BOMBAY DOCKS.

(FRIDAY, December 18.)

ALEXANDRA DOCK.

1 Werdenfels 3852 Karachi 30/12 L. Edward.
2 Rawalpindi, 9416, London 2/1, M M and Co.
2 Devanha 4785 London 19/12 M M & Co.
4 M S Delhi 2606 Colombo 15/12 L E Edwards.
5 Mirzapore 4135 China 31/12 M M & Co
5 City of Doneden 4925 Calcutta 16/12 F F Campbell & Co.
6 Hanskerk 3070 Karachi 16/12 E D Sassoon & Co.
7 Falkenfels, 3852, N.F., 16/12, L Edwards.
8 Wakasa Maru, 3804, Kobe, 27/12, N Y Kaisha.
9 Razmak 4937 Aden 26/2 M M & Co.
10 Khandalla 3702 Durban 23/12 M M & Co.
11 Delta 4739 Japan 22/12 M. M. & Co.
11 City of Nagpur, 6289, L'pool, 12/12, K N and Co.
13 M Bute, 2745, Antwerp. 17/12, T M and Co.
15 Tacoma Maru 3642 Japan 23/12 O S Kaisha.

VICTORIA DOCK.

1 Ahmedi, 1831, Busreh, 18/12 S. Hassam and Co.
2 Cl. Chaltan, 2100, M Coast, 30/12, J F and Co.
2 Namidio 3397 Karachi 15/12 L T & M I S N Co.
3 Barala, 1899, P Gulf, 16/12, M M and Co.
4 Varela 1932 Basrah 18/12 M M & Co.
5 Indus Maru 2705 Kobe 2/1 O. S. Kaisha, Kaisha.
7 Jaladuta 2593 Tuticorin 18/12 Scindia S N. Co.
9 Homefield, 3228, M Coast, N F, M M and Co.
10 & 11 Tokushima Maru, 4267, Japan, 19/12, N Y K.
12 and 13 Cape Certegal, 3136 Rangoon, 22/12, S S N Co.
15 Baroda, 1899, P. Gulf, 23/12, M M and Co.
16 Jamnagar, 279, Jamgor 22/12, Naranji and Co.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

8 Gambhira 3196 N.F. N.F. M M & Co.
F Ogarda, 3038, Cal. 16/12 M M and Co.
G Skuld 649 Bangkok 20/12 F F C & Co.
K Jalatarang 1464 N.F., N.F. S S N Co. Ltd.
L/M Jehangir, 2157, N.F., N.F., T M and Co.

EXPORT.

Dec. 18.

S. S. Devanha for London:—4 bales woollen carpets, V Ismailoff, 14 bales Lamb skins, Grindlay and Co Ltd.

S. S. Silvio Pellico for Venice.—330 bales cotton, F F Campbell and Co Ltd.

For Trieste.—165 bales cotton, B Meyer and Co, 3 bales cow hides, H M Halim and Co.

S. S. Rawalpindi for Marseilles.—1000 cwts Linseed, E D Sassoon and Co Ltd.

S. S. Falkenfels for Rotterdam.—2000 cwts Linseed oil cakes, N V Velmahomed, 1000 cwts Groundnut oil cakes, J Moolchand and Co.

S. S. Wardenfels for Hamburg.—55 bales cotton, K Devchand and Co.

For Rotterdam.—4000 cwts Groundnut oil cakes, B H Lele, 500 cwts Linseed oil cakes, B H Lele.

For Antwerp.—110 bales cotton. Louis Dreyfus and Co, 330 bales cotton, K Devchand and Co, 215 bales cotton fly, K Visram and Co,

For Havre.—50 bales cotton fly, B Meyer and Co.

S. S. Olympia for Liverpool.—40 cwts Curry Powder, M Poonjaji and Sons, 60 cwts Condiments, M Poonjaji and Sons. 17 bales Goat haust wool, H R Rahmanbhai and Co, 50 bales wool, Grindalay and Co Ltd, 12 bales wool, W. Latham and Co Ltd, 6 bales cotton, Japan Cotton T Co Ltd, 90 bales cotton waste, V. A Save.

For Smyrna.—20 bales cotton Grey yarn, The Swadeshi Mills Co Ltd,

For Barcelona.—100 bales cotton, B Cursondas and Co, 475 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

For Philadelphia.—48 casks Goat skins, Briskey Co.

For Glasgow.—248 bdles Iron Hoops and Shooks, J E Jowitt and Co, 17 casks Tops, J E Jowitt and Co, 60 tons Banxita ore, The Shivrajpur Syndicate Ltd.

For Ghent.—320 bales cotton, Volkart Bros, 737 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

S. S. Marchioness of Bute for Triste.—4000 cwts Gingellyseed, E D Sassoon and Co Ltd, 110 bales cotton, A Khemji and Co, 55 bales cotton, F F Campbell and Co Ltd, 110 bales cotton, The Patel Cotton Co Ltd, 644 bales cotton, Ralli Bros, 3000 cwts Teelseed, Ralli Bros.

For Venice.—55 bales cotton, A Damodar.

For Antwerp.—200 cwts Nigarseed, Volkart Bros, 356 bales cotton; Ralli Bros.

S. S. Delta for Kobe.—400 bales cotton, N Manilal and Co, 1000 cotton, Japan Cotton T Co Ltd.

For Hongkong.—11 cwts Fishmaws, H A Mahomed and Sons, 100 cwts Shark fins, H A Mahomed and Sons, 20 bales Grey cotton twist, E D Sassoon and Co Ltd.

For Shanghai.—1000 bales cotton, Ralli Bros, 100 bales cotton, Japan Cotton T Co Ltd.

For Moji.—200 bales cotton, Japan Cotton T Co Ltd,

For Yokkaichi.—300 bales cotton, Japan Cotton T Co Ltd.

S. S. Wakasa Maru for Kobe.—1500 bales cotton, Ozu Burin and Co Ltd, 200 bales cotton, The Japan Trading and Mfg Co Ltd, 900 bales cotton, K M Nathoo.

S. S. Tokushima Maru for Kobe.—500 bales cotton, Japan Cotton T Co Ltd.

S. S. Mirzapore for Kobe.—1000 bales cotton, Volkart Bros, 300 bales cotton, Volkart Bros, 100 bales cotton, N Manilal and Co, 200 bales cotton, H Rambhagat and Co.

For Yokohama.—100 bales cotton, Breul and Co.

S. S. Tacoma Maru for Nagasaki.—200 bales cotton, G K Kaisha Ltd,

For Shanghai.—500 bales cotton, G K Kaisha Ltd.

For Yokohama.—500 bales cotton, G K Kaisha Ltd.

For Osaka.—500 bales cottotn, G K Kaisha Ltd.

For Nagoya.—800 bales cotton, G K Kaisha Ltd.

For Kobe.—300 bales cotton, H Rambhagat, 150 bales cotton, D M Waghji, 1000 bales cotton, T M Kaisha Ltd, 200 bales cotton, Volkart Bros, 1500 bales cotton, Suzuki and Co Ltd.

IMPORTS.

Dec. 18.

S. S. Ranpura, Agents M M and Co, from London.—160 cases Whisky, 230 cases Gin, 99 cases Castor Oil, 122 cases Sausages, 80 cases Medicines, 57 cases Vinegar, 45 cases Biscuits, 68 cases Hams and Bacon, 42 cases Cheese, 70 cases Toilet Soap, 196 cases Common Soap, 183 cases Cygarettes and Tobacco, 41 cases Tinned Fish, 50 cases Blue, 36 cases Spirits, 35 cases Sauce, 241 cases Cocoa, Chocolate and Confectionery, 49 cases Jams, 37 cases Cornflour, 21 cases Blanco, 32 cases Barley, 55 cases Preserves, 77 cases Oil Stores, 32 cases Colours, 110 cases Condensed Milk, 24 cases Salmon, 41 cases E'ware, 25 cases Cycles and Ports, 25 cases Drapery, 178 cases Boot Polish, 26 cases Boot and Shoes, 21 cases Toys, 40 cases Boric Acid, 28 cases Brake material, 30 Barrels Tallow, 75 Barrels Grapes, 441 bdles yellow metal sheets, 41 bdles hoops, 14 bdles Tyres, 145 bdles Steel, 1800 casks Cement, 50 bags Cement, 20 bags Iron Rivets, 1 box Sovereigns, 29 boxes Bar Gold, 7 boxes Gold Coins, 2 boxes Silver Coins, 27 casks Ivory, 140 cases mineral water, 29 cases Herrings and Peel, 29 cases Mustard, 15 cases Quinine, 28 cases Ink, 49 cases Paint, 1330 kegs Paint, 90 drums Paint, 160 drums Disinfecting Fluid, 100 cases Mills Cleaner, 15 bales yarn, 18 bales wool, 45 cases second hand Clothing, 50 cases old news papers, 12 cases Lamb Skins, 17 cases Olives, 20 cases Syrup, 25 cases Lime Juice, 12 cases Hardware, and 13 cases Stationery.

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BOMBAY COTTON MARKET.

BOMBAY MARKET.

COTTON.

(From Our Correspondent)

Bombay, Dec. 18.

A further drop of 10 to 3 points in New York futures has been reported to-day. The market declined on hedge selling. Liverpool has been reported 10 to 13 points lower.

Messrs. Umrigar and Vesugars' New York friends Messrs. A. Norden and Co., cable under date 17th inst. as under:—

"Market acts well. Prefer October purchase."

Although there is no sign as yet in evidence of any lasting upward reaction in the American markets we do not look for a further serious depression in prices, and think that we shall see quiet markets from now on till the New Year Holidays, will perhaps a slightly downward tendency; but after the holidays are over we expect an improvement to set in, especially as the trade will come out to secure their requirements ahead.

Under the influence of fairly free arrivals of cotton here since the last two days, the local market has given way by about Rs. 10 as a result of heavy selling by Exporters and Bazar operators. The ready market is also very depressed with very little business passing.

Although a further small decline reported from Home the Marwari Bazar opened about Rs. 2 higher with Broach April/May at Rs. 358 and steadily declined to Rs. 355 on Commission Houses selling. Buying by Shroffs caused an improvement and the market recovered to Rs. 357 and closed at Rs. 355 3/4. At Cotton Green the market opened at Rs. 357 1/4 and declining to Rs. 356 on general selling advanced to Rs. 357½ on buying by Shroffs and closed at Rs. 357 1/4 at 6 p.m.

Oomra January opened at Rs. 330½ and advancing by a rupee and a half eased to Rs. 328½ on Shroffs selling. On other Shroffs and Commission Houses coming out to buy the market improved to Rs. 33 and closed at Rs. 329½ whilst Oomra March opened at Rs. 332 and improving to Rs. 333½ eased to Rs. 329½ on general selling. On Shroffs buying the values recovered to Rs. 332 and the market closed at Rs. 331. Bengal January and March were quoted Rs. 284 and Rs. 288 respectively.

Our market for ready cotton was easier yesterday and Exporters were moderate buyers.

To-day only 500 bales Bengals were tendered. Total tenders to date are 2,100 bales Bengals and 1,000 bales Oomras.

Bombay, Dec. 13

Cotton Green Closing Quotations at 6 p.m

Fully good Broach A/M 357 1/4
Fully good Bengal D/J 385
Fully good Bengal March 289
Fine Oomra D/J 329 1/2
Fine Oomra March 331 1/2

SPOT QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

M G Bengal and S Punjab superfine 308, Fine 300 and F. good 290

M G Oomra No. 3 Superfine 355, Fine 345 and F Good 335.

M G Central Provinces No. 1 Superfine 375 Fine 365 and F.good 355.

M G Central Provinces No. 2 Superfine 367, Fine 357 and F. good 347.

M G Khandesh Superfine 345, Fine 335, F. Good 325 and Good 315.

M G Muthia Fine 307, F good 297 and Good 287.

EAST INDIAN COTTON ASSOCIATION.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

Fully Good Broach A/M 356.
Fully Good Bengal D/J 284
Fully Good Bengal March 288.
Fine Oomra D/J 329
Fine Oomra March 330

READY APPROXIMATE QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

	Ready	Jan Now.
Bengal Superfine M G	315	.....
Bengal Fine M G	300	295
Bengal F. G M G	290	285
Sindh-Punjab Fine M G	300	295
—Do—F.G M G	290	.....
Punjab-Americans M.G.	.....	.....
Wardha-Hingt Fine M G	340/70	355
Nagpur Fine M G	340/70	355
Yeotmal Fine M G	330/60	345
Pulgaon Fine M G	330/60	345
Dhamangaon Fine M G	325/60	345
Amrawti Fine M G	330/60	337
Khamgaon Akola	330/60	337
Melkapur Fine M G	320/40	327
Khandesh Fine M G	320/40	327
Khandesh F.G.M.G.	.....	.....
Broach Fine M.G.	.....	.....
Broach Fully Good M.G.	.....	...
Muthia Fine M.G.	.....	.....
Muthia F.G.M.G.	.....	.....
Dharwar S.G.	350	.....
Coompta M.G.	360/70	...
Western M G	320	.....
Westerns H.G.	.....	.....
Miraj M G	360	.....
Cambodia M G	410/15	.....

BREUL & CO.'S MARKET REPORT.

EAST INDIAN COTTON.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY.

BOMBAY, Dec. 15.

In full-pressed Bales	yesterday	Since 1st September This year	Last year
Khandesh	1,612	93,437	26,335
Central India	2,442	61,216	7,38
Barsi and Nagar	1,293	36,795	15,45
Hyderabad-Gaorani	517	11,055	4,03
Berar	3,82 2	85,902	79,8 6
Central Provinces	2,321	33,515	43, 6
Total Oomras	11,999	3,32,053	1,76,165
Dholera	652	43,436	15 284
S. W. Provinces	317	1,02,777	64,637
Rajputana	442	22 578	7,21
Sind-Punjab	1,433	56,328	69,709
Broach	—	1	90
Coompta & Dharwar	..	12,040	8 351
Westerns-Northerns	—	6,167	5,986
Coconada	—	1,409	800
Tinnevelly & Cambodia	—	6,441	4,921
Persian	—	1,684	62
American	—	138	6,2 7
Egyptian and African	690	26,555	20,104
Jomilla, Burma & other sorts	—	352	3,485
Total	15,533	6,18,109	3,84,695

EXPORTS FROM BOMBAY.

In full-pressed Bales	yesterday.	1st Sept. to 16th Dec This year.	Last year.
Europe	1,845	99,249	53,013
Japan & China	10,090	1,32,865	1,99,15
Coast Ports	—	6,577	5,736
Up-country by Rail afloat in harbour for Europe, China and Japan	—	3,274	6,79
	—	26,360	11,055
Total	11,935	3,16,125	2,75,75

COTTON.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.

Total Day's Sales at Liverpool 6,000 bales. Total Day's Sales on Spec and for Exp. 200 bales.

Mid Americans Spot Universal Standard 9.74 good inquiry.

Egyptian F. G. F. Sakellaridis 16.75 d.

New York 11 a.m. (As known Liverpool at closing time):—

January	18.47
March	18.67
May	18.47
New York Noon Call:—	
January	18.52
March	18.75
May	18.53
New Orleans 10 a.m.:—	
January	18.44
March	18.15.

OPENING TONE AND PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.

Future Delivery Prices:—

January	9.52—.14
March	9.57—.12
May	9.60—.13
July	9.58—.13
October	9.45—.10
December	9.40—.08

Liverpool, Dec. 18.

Future Delivery Prices:—

January	9.51	+.01
March	9.55	+.01
May	9.59	+.02
July	9.59	+.02
October	9.44	+.02

EGYPTIANS.

January	15.75—.42	
March	15.70—.44	
May	15.80—.39	
January	15.70	+.01
May	15.80	+.05

EGYPTIAN COTTON. CLOSING PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.

December	9.48—.16
January	9.50—.16
February	9.48—.17
March	9.54—.15
April	9.93—.15
May	9.57—.16
June	9.55—.16
July	9.57—.14
August	9.49—.15
September	9.48—.13
October	9.42—.13
November	9.37—.13
December	9.35—.13

Tone:—Quiet.

CLOSING PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.

Cotton Delivery Mid. Uplands G. O. C Liverpool:—

December	15.94—.48
January	15.69—.48
February	15.68—.46
March	15.67—.47
April	15.67—.47
May	15.75—.44
June	15.76—.44
July	15.82—.45
August	15.87—.45
Sept.	16.03—.45
October	16.28—.45
November	16.20—.40

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.

Scinde, "Good"	6.85
Scinde, "Fully Good"	7.25
Scinde, "Fine"	7.65
Bengal, "Good"	6.95
Bengal, "Fully Good"	7.35
Bengal "Fine"	7.75
Oomra, "Good"	7..55
Oomra "Fully Good"	7.95
Oomra "Fine"	8.35
Broach, "Good"	8.05
Broach, "Fully Good"	8.45
Broach, "Fine"	8.85

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 17.

Cotton:—
Day's Receipts at all U. S. Ports 64,000.
Day's Exports to Great Britain 46,000.
Day's Exports to Continent 89,000.

Futures at New York:—

January	18.54—.10
March	18.77—.09
May	18.55—.05
July	18.25—.09

Spot Cotton at New Yorl 19.35—.10
Spot Cotton at New Orleans 18.77—.08
Futures at New Orleans

January	18.52—.07
March	18.25—.52

Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality) 17 1/16.
Demand Bills 4.84.61.
Silver Commercial Bars Foreign Mined 68 5/8.

AMERICAN COTTON MARKET.

CLOSING PRICES.

New York, Dec. 17.

Futures at New York:—

January	18.54—.10
March	18.77—.09
May	18.55—.05
July	18.25—.09

Liverpool, Dec. 17.

Cotton Delivery Mid. Uplands G. O. C. Liverpool:—

January	9.50—.16
March	9.54—.15
May	9.57—.16
July	9.57—.14

RUBBER.

London, Dec. 17.

Para Up River Fine, Spot 50/- Jan.-Feb Tone:—Dull.

Plantation First Latex Crepe, Spot 49/ Dec.- value.

Tone:—Lower in further liquidations closing firmer on bear covering fair business. Ribbed Smoked Sheet 49/- Dec. paid value.

WHEAT.

London, Dec. 17.

Barletta Russo—62½ lbs. 60/3 Dec/Jan. quoted.

Rosario Santa Fe—62½ lbs. 60/- Jan.-Feb. quoted.

Tone:—Firm but quiet.

Australian 61/6 Dec.-Jan. sellers steady Yesterday's 61/6.

Tone:—Weak and lower more offering.

SEEDS.

Linseed Argentine (La Plata)
Dec/Jan quoted £17 1/2
Jan/Feb paid sellers £ 17 5/16.
Dec London paid £ 18
Tone—Steady quiet.
Cottonseed Bombay—
New Crop value £ 8
Tone—Rather easier.
Castorseed Bombay—
Dec/Jan sellers rather easier £ 19 1/4
Linseed Bombay Dec/Jan nominal £ 21 3/8
Rapeseed, Ferozepore, Usual Bold per ton D/J sellers £ 20 5/8
Rapeseed, Turia, per ton, D/J sellers nominal £ 29 1/4
Rapeseed, Brown Cawnpore per ton D/J nominal 20 1/4.
Tone of Rapeseed—Slow
Yellow Cawnpore D/J sellers £ 23 1/4

LINSEED.

London, Dec. 17.

Linseed Calcutta Pure Basis Bags:—
Dec/Jan near st £ 20 1/2
Apr/May value £ 19/-
Tone—Very quiet. Prices steady.
Raw Linseed Oil Naked Spot Net—
December sellers 34/4 1/2
Jan/Apr sellers 34/4 1/2

FREIGHT OF COAL.

London, Dec. 17.

Freight to Bombay 13/-

London, Dec. 17.

Estimated Exportable Surplus Argentine Wheat 20,000,000 quarters Linseed 1,750,000 tons.

London, Dec. 17.

The silver market this week has shown a more decided weakness China sold freely and India has been only a very small buyer and the price of silver naturally has fallen. At the low level bears have been inclined to cover sales and there has been a recovery of the market to-day. America both bought and sold in this market, but business transacted was not large. The continent remains very inactive. The present level of prices would seem about low enough and Messrs. Mocatta do not look for a much further fall.

MONEY MARKET.

EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, Dec. 18

½ C. RATE—
Bank's selling T T 1/6 1/8.
Bank's selling D D 1/6 5/32.

LONDON—
Bank's selling T T 1/6 5/32.
Bank's selling D D 1/6 3/16.
Bank's buying 3 m/st D A 1/6 15/32
Bank's buying T T 1/6 3/16
Bank's buying D D 1/6 7/32

PARIS—
Bank's selling D D Frcs. 970
Bank's buying 3 m/st D A Frcs. 1035
Bank's buying D D Frcs. 1020

JAPAN—
Bank's selling T T Rs. 119
Bank's buying 60 d/st D P Rs. 115

HONGKONG—
Bank's selling D D Rs. 150 1/2

SHANGHAI—
Bank's selling D. D. Rs. 208.

SINGAPORE—
Bank's selling D D Rs. 156 3/4.

NEW YORK—
Bank's selling D. D. Rs. 274.

CROSS RATES—
London—New York Del. 4.85 1/8
London—Paris Frcs. 133.70
London—Switzerland Frcs. 25.12.
London—Brussels Frcs. 107.00.
London—Rome Liras 120.00.
London—Berlin Marks 20.35.

TONE OF EXCHANGE—
Exchange Market was quiet—steady

London, Dec. 17.

Telc. Transfers 1/6 3/16 steady.
Bar Gold £4-4-10½ downward tendency.
Bar Silver Spot 31 11/16 uncertain.

London, Dec. 17.

Rentes 3 per cent. 44 3/4.
Bar Silver (Spot) 31 11/16.
Bar Silver 2 months hence 31 11/16.
Closing Tone of Silver:—Little China buying uncertain.
Interest day to day loans 3 3/4.
Interest 7 days market loans 4/-.
Discount, Bank of England Rate 5 per cent. since 3rd instant.
Bars Bought £107,000.

BOMBAY EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, Dec. 18

	Market Rates.
Bank Telegraphic	1/6 5/32
Bank Demand	1/6 3/16
Doc. Acceptance 3 m/s	1/6 7/16
American Dollars	275
Hongkong Dollars	159 1/2
Shanghai	208
Japan	119 5/8
Singapore	156½

Market steady.

EXCHANGE ON CONTINENTAL CENTRES.

MIDDLE QUOTATIONS.

London, Dec. 17.

Stockholm 18.11.
Oslo 23.93.
Amsterdam 12.07.
Switzerland 25.13.
Prague 168.75.

London, Dec. 17.

Exchange Belgium 107.00
—Do—Athens 380.50

London, Dec. 16.

Exchange Belgium 106.05.
Exchange Athens 380.50.

London, Dec. 17.

Exchange on London in Paris 133.50.
Exchange on London in Germany 20.37.
Exchange on London in Italy 120.27.

New York, Dec. 17.

Demand Bills 4.84.81.

LONDON DISCOUNTS.

Bombay, Dec 18.

3 months 4 7/8 per cent.
6 months 4 7/8 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 5 per cent.
Money Call 3 per cent.
Money Call 1 month 3 1/4 per cent.
Money Call 3 months 4½ per cent.
Money Call 6 months 5 per cent.
Imperial Bank Rate 6 per cent.
Tone of Money Market:—Steady.

DISCOUNTS.

London, Dec. 17.

Discount Bank Bills 3 m/st 4 7/8
Discount Indian Bank Bills 6 m/st 4 7/8
Discount Fine Trade Bills 3 m/st 5 1/4
Discount Fine Trade Bills 6 m/st 5 3/4
Rentes 5 per cent. 18 1/4

STOCKS, ETC.

London, Dec. 17.

Funding Loan 4 p.c. 1960/90 £ 85 1/2 plus 1/8
Victory Bonds 4 per £ 98 3/4 unchanged
War Loan 5 p.c. 1929/47 £ 100 3/16 plus 1/16
Conversion Loan £ 74 11/16 plus 1/8
Indian Loan 5½ p.c. £100 3/8 Ex unchanged.
Indian Loan 7 p.c. £104½ Ex unchanged
Consols 2½ p.c. 54 5/8 plus 1/8.
Rupee Paper 3½ p.c. 51 unchanged.
Indian Stock 3½ p.c. (Sterling Loan) 66 1/4 plus 1/8
Govet. Securities 3 p.c. 57 1/4 plus 1/8

BULLION.

Bombay, Dec 18

Sovereigns Ready 13-4-0
Sovereigns Forward 13-5-0
National Bank Bar Gold 21.6.6
Bar gold ready Rs. 21-2-9
Bar gold forward Rs. 21-3-0
Bar gold 2nd settlement Rs. 21-3-9
Bar Silver ready Rs. 71-11-0
Bar Silver 1st settlement Rs. 71-8-0
Bar Silver 2nd settlement Rs. 71-4-0

London, Dec. 17.

Bar gold ready sh. 84 10 1/2
Silver ready d. 31.11
Silver forward d. 31.11

TONE OF SILVER—
Firm. India and China bought. India and China were large buyers at lower rate. We think some rise possible.

GOLD.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

Ready—21/3/0.
Vaida Posh opening 21/3/3 at 6 p.m. 21/3/3
Vaida Maha opening 21/4/0 at 6 p.m. 21/4/0.
Vaida Falgun opening 21/5/0 at 6 p.m. 21/5/0.
Teji Mandi Posh opening 0/30.
Tone—Market steady.

SILVER.

Bombay, Dec 18.

Ready—71/9/0
Vaida Posh opening 71/4/0, highest 71/7/0 at 6 p.m. 71/7/0
Vaida Maha opening 71/0/0, highest 71/3 at 6 p.m. 71/3/0
Vaida Falgun opening 70/14/0, highest 71 at 6 p.m. 71/0/0
Teji Mandi Posh opening 0/2/0.
Teji Mandi Maha opening 1/3/0

RECEIPTS.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

The following are the receipts of cotton produce, etc., for the 24 hours ending 6 p.m. on 17th December, 1925.

Cotton	15,533 Bales.
Wheat	8041 Cwts.
Linseed	1062 ,,
Rape, ets.,	165 ,,
Gingellyseed	846 ,,
Poppyseed	160 ,,
Groundnuts	13482 ,,
Castorseed	1689 ,,
Rice	7424 ,,
Myrabollams	5029 ,,
Cottonseed	20721 ,,
Mowraseed	—
Gram	2914 ,,
Juwar	1115 ,,
Masur	—
Barley	574 ,,
Bairi	7487 ,,
Coal	1371 Tons.

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BOMBAY MARKETS

WEEKLY REVIEW.

COTTON.

WEEKLY REVIEW.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

During the week under review Home markets have been fluctuating but on the whole show a sharp decline both in Liverpool and New York as compared with a week ago. Early the market eased on continued hedge selling and long liquidation. In the middle of the week the prices advanced on short covering. At the close the market was easier.

With the exception of one very moderate upward reaction, which occurred last Tuesday, the New York market has steadily continued its downward progress. The influences controlling the situation are practically the same as have been existing for some time past. The absence of buying power for the bulk of the week has been rather striking feature, and though there is perhaps nothing much in the outlook to lead to a pronounced recovery in the immediate future, it seems that after all there is a limit to short selling based on crop accounts alone. It is more and more borne upon the minds of operators and the consuming world at large that the conditions that have prevailed to make the maturing, picking and marketing so favourable for the present crop, and which have contributed to the comparatively large supply, may very easily not be the case in the ensuing year. There is ample in the present yield for the needs of the current season, but if anything went wrong with next season's growth it would be found that the present crop will by no means be sufficient to place the world in a safe position against possible future failure.

The next Ginning Return is due on the 21st instant, and the National Ginners' Association have put down their estimate in the neighbourhood of 14,730,000 bales as the amount of cotton ginned up to the middle of December. Let us see whether the Government confirms such a heavy figure.

The consumption figure for last month for the United States Mills was somewhat small, as it totalled only 543,000 bales against 544,000 bales the previous month, and 492,000 bales for the corresponding month last year. There is a feeling about that the total takings—unless something untoward should happen, such as a rapid advance which would impede business—will be approximatey 15 million bales, and if this should be the case, even a crop of 15½ millions excluding linters is not likely to weigh on the market.

Broadly speaking, the immediate future appears to hold out little likelihood of any material change in values; the selling has run its course for the time being, whilst there is no particular incentive on which to exercise "bullish" enthusiasm. Summing up the situation we do not see anything very attractive for immediate profit, but purchases in weak sessions are likely to show a reasonable margin of profit in the long run.

As regards the position of the local market, despite a continuance of easier feeling in America our prices have shown resistance to a further drop as the bazar sentiment locally seems to have set its face against material decline in values. Whilst the course of the market during the remaining days of this month is decidedly uncertain, we are inclined to believe that the demand next month to fill existing commitments will be sufficient to check a further decline in prices unless in the meantime the American markets should considerably collapse.

As regards ready cotton, the bulk of the same actually weighing on the market is of rain-damaged quality for which buyers show little interest, whilst high class red leafy quality is quickly absorbed by Exporters against their previous commitments.

The following were the changes in the Home markets as compared with last week:

New York January last week 19.03; this week 18.54 minus 49.

New York March last week 19.21; this week 18.77 minus 44.

New York May last week 18.92; this week 18.55 minus 37.

New York July last week 18.58; this week 18.25 minus 33.

New York October last week 18.17; this week 17.83 minus 34.

Liverpool January last week 9.91; this week 9.50 minus 41.

Liverpool March last week 9.93; this week 9.54 minus 39.

Liverpool May last week 9.94; this week 9.57 minus 37.

Liverpool July last week 9.88; this week 9.57 minus 31.

LOCAL FORWARD MARKET.

Fully Good M.G. Broach April/May opened on the 11th instant at Rs. 360 and eased to Rs. 358½ on Commission Houses selling. On exporters and bazar operators buying the prices improved to Rs. 364 3/4. On the 12th instant the bazar opened easier at Rs. 361 and advanced to Rs. 363½ on buying by shroffs. On Commission Houses selling the values receded to Rs. 361½. On the 14th instant the market opened at Rs. 358 and gradually advanced to Rs. 362 on buying by Japanese and Commission Houses Owing to continued decline in New York futures the market opened easier at Rs. 358 on the 15th instant and gradually went up to Rs. 363½ on Com. Houses and Shroffs buying. A sharp reaction being reported in New York futures on the 16th instant the market opened steady at Rs. 366 and improved to Rs. 368 on buying by bazar operators and jobbers but again receded to Rs. 366 on general selling. On the 17th instant the market opened easier at Rs. 360½ owing to a decline reported in America and going up to Rs. 362 eased to Rs. 355½ on Commission Houses and shroffs selling and closed at Rs. 356 1/4.

Fine Oomra January opened at Rs. 333 on the 11th instant and improved to Rs. 337½ on buying by Japanese Houses. From this level the prices gave way to Rs. 329½ on Commission Houses selling, but again advanced to Rs. 341 on buying by shroffs and one Japanese House and after sharp fluctuations closed on the 17th instant at Rs. 329. Whilst Oomra March opened on the 11th instant at Rs. 335 and going up to Rs. 342 eased to Rs. 332 on Commission Houses and shroffs selling. From this level the market advanced to Rs. 344 on general buying and closed at Rs. 330 1/4 on the 17th instant. F.G. Bengal January opened at Rs. 289 and closed at Rs. 283½ the highest being Rs. 296 and the lowest Rs. 283½. Whilst March opened at Rs. 293 and closed at Rs. 287 the highest being Rs. 301 and the lowest Rs. 287.

PIECE-GOODS.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

No fresh feature of importance has been noticeable in the Cloth Market during the past week. The stagnant state of the market has continued, and the tone has been rather quieter. There seems to be a strong disposition amongst buyers to adopt a policy of caution. The absence of inquiry, wholesale as well as retail, has been keenly felt, and there have been no indications of a better demand in the near future. The fluctuations in the price of the raw material have been rather disconcerting, and the uncertainty regarding the future rate of exchange has not been conducive to fresh trade. The Government of India have decided to fix one shilling six pence as the rate to rupee for the purpose of comparing prices for present with a view to determining whether any particular item shall be purchased in India. Some buyers hold the opinion that with the abolition of the excise duty in March next, Government might propose a reduction of 3½ per cent. in the import duty on cloth during the next budget or keep the rate of exchange at over one shilling six pence for the advantage of Lancashire, and this has created an atmosphere of distrust in the present level of prices. Lord Reading, at the opening of the annual meeting of the Associated Chambers of Commerce has rightly remarked that all trades and industries have not yet recovered the stability which characterised commerce in pre-war years, and that in certain industries there are still adjustments of prices needed before consumption approaches pre-war standards. The report of Mr. C. M. Ainscough, the British Trade Commissioner in India, on British trade with India in 1924-25, issued by the Department of Overseas Trade, incidentally remarks that the artificial bolstering up of prices of Lancashire cloth by short-time working has effectually prevented India's purchasing its accumulated requirements and points out that India's net import of gold in 1924-25 amounted to 50 millions sterling, which shows that there is an accumulation of buying power for Lancashire to take advantage of when it can reduce the prices of piece-goods.

Grey Shirtings of Manchester make have remained quiet. 45, 48 and 51 inches by 38 yards Gold End Grey Shirtings have been fixed for sale at a lower level. Grey Jaconets and Drills have been nominally steady. White Shirtings have been easier all round. Liepmann's No. 1500 White Shirtings have been booked in small lots at lower rates for forward shipment. 39 inches Gold End White Mulls have shown a further reduction of two annas. Nainsooks have also been easier. Japanese Grey cloths have dropped down in values.

Local Mill cloths have remained quiet. Since the suspension of the excise duty and the opening of the Mills, buyers have remained aloof expecting a substantial decline in prices, and as is usual will only commence buying as soon as the rates begin to rise. Most of the Mills have refunded 3½ per cent. on previous forward sales to buyers owing to the suspension of excise duty. Some small lots, amounting in all to about 500 bales, have been sold by the Petit Group Mills from stock, Grey Calendered Shirtings at Re. 1.0.6 and Longcloths at Re. 1.1-0 to Re. 1.1.9 per lb., these rates being half an anna per lb. less than the prices at which sales were made before the strike. A Bill to encourage and protect healthy trades union organisations is before the Assembly and as soon as this becomes law, the question of providing means of conciliation in trade disputes, which has been thoroughly explored by Government, will be taken up for legislation.

The Manchester Market has been quiet. The engagements of makers have been irregular and several manufacturers are in need of orders, specially of Grey and White Shirtings. There is hardly any doubt that the American cotton crop including linters will be about 16,250,000 bales, which will be over and above the requirements of the season. But owing to the untimely rains the grades have been lowered and consequently the rates for the higher grades have been quoted firm. Fresh forward business in cloth during the week has been quite unimportant. The Manufacturers' Association have been pressed for many months past by the operative weavers in Lancashire, for certain concessions relating to wages and working conditions, but the application has been turned down. The trade union has, therefore, decided to ask the Ministry of Labour to hold a Court of Inquiry, under the Industrials Court Act, 1919, into the claim made, the most important demand being a minimum wage of 10 shillings a loom per week. In this matter over 200,000 operatives are concerned.

The quotations for the leading shops of Grey and Whites are as under:—

	Ins.	Yds.	Rs.	a.	p.
GREY SHIRTINGS—					
Ralli's Farl No. 20	0039	3 1/4/38	11	0	0
„ 100,000	.45	„ ..	13	0	0
„ No. 33,000	.45	„ ..	10	8	0
„ No. 2800	.37	„ ..	9	0	0
„ No. 4545	.38	38 ..	11	0	0
„ No. 15000	.44	38 ..	11	0	0
„ No. 16000	..	„ ..	11	8	0
„ No. 17000	..	„ ..	12	0	0
Graham's No. 2730	39	„ ..	11	0	0
„ No. 2750	.45	„ ..	13	0	0
Dewhurst's BBB	.38	38 1-2 ..	18	0	0
„ BB	.38	38 1-2 ..	16	0	0
„ Rupee No. 5	38	38 1-2 ..	15	0	0
Ritchie's No. 510	.39	37 1/2/38	11	0	0
Lyon's Shunker	.39	„ ..	11	0	0
Fleming's 1904-1906	45,48,51	38	16	8	0
GREY DRILLS—					
Pepperell's Dragon	29	40 Net	19	8	0
Ralli's Musjid No. 42	5,26	40	..		
GREY JALONETS—					
Ralli's No. 18	.45	22 ..	6	8	0
„ No. 18	.40	22 ..	5	14	0
„ No. 138	.40	22 ..	5	5	0
„ No. 636	.44	22 ..	5	13	0
WHITE SHIRTINGS—					
Liepmann's No. 1500	32	42 ..	22	8	0
H. B. T. C. 40000	.36	40 ..	26	8	0
Ralli's No. 9889	.33	40 ..	17	8	0
WHITE MULLS—					
Ralli's No. 6	.41	19 ..	7	10	0
„ No. 60	.46	19 ..	8	6	0
„ No. 600	.51	19 ..	9	2	0
„ No. 6000	.56	19 ..	10	10	0
„ No. 88	.58	20 ..	7	0	0
„ No. 1270	.27	18 ..	3	4	0
„ No. 166	.39	20 ..	7	8	0
„ No. 818	.39	20 ..	7	10	0
„ No. 1440	.36	20 ..	4	14	0
„ No. 1703	.52	20 Net	15	0	0
„ No. 224	.44	20 ..	7	4	0
Ritchie's No. 1260	27	18 ..	3	4	0
„ No. 119	.37	18 ..	4	0	0
„ No. 229	.42	18 ..	4	8	0
„ No. 339	.47	18 ..	5	0	0
„ 1K-4K38",43"48"53		18 Avg.	..		
„ No. 95	.58	20 ..	6	12	0
„ No. 66999	.40	18 ..	5	8	0
„ No. 86999	.40	18 ..	6	0	0
„ No. 775	.40	18 ..	6	0	0
„ No. 875	.45	18 ..	6	8	0
„ No. 975	.50	18 ..	..	0	0
„ No. 615	.50	18 ..	7	0	0
Graham's Balloon	.58	20 ..	6	12	0
Flemings No. 9060	.26	18 ..	3	0	0
WHITE NAINSOOKS—					
Ralli's No. 7070-9090	27	18 ..	4	0	0
„ No. 61-81	..	„ ..	3	12	0
„ No. 1 50	..	„ ..	2	14	0
„ No. 1900	..	„ ..	3	0	0
„ No. 2600	..	„ ..	3	2	0
„ No. 21021	..	„ ..	3	4	0
„ No. 39620 T. B.	38	22 ..	5	12	0
Graham's Nos. 88-8888	28	18 ..	4	6	0
„ No. 95950-97970 Saraswati	.38	18 ..	7	6	0
„ Tipoo W/WWW	34	18 ..	4	12	0
„ No. 50000	..	„ ..	5	4	0
„ No. 33340/33350/33360			5	12	0
Lyon's No. 4545-5656 6767	.26	18 ..	3	12	0
Greaves' No. 8000 T. B.	38	22 ..	..		
Ritchie's Nos. 3500-4510 5520	..	.26 18 ..	3	12	0
S. W. and Co's. Nos. 5800-5820 "Motor Car"	..	.. ..	3	12	0

The above quotations are on Bazaar terms with discount of three and a half per cent on Grey and four per cent on White Goods.

JAPANESE GREY CLOTHS—					
No. 666 Shirtings	38	38 ..	Nos	10	5 0
„ 2500 Shirtings	36	40 ..	„	16	12 0
„ 5151 „	.44	38 ..	„	12	8 0
„ 4141 „	.44	38 ..	„	10	12 0
„ 5544 „	.44	38 ..	„	10	12 0
„ 3800 „	.44	38 ..	„	16	8 0
"C" Sheetings	.30	36 Ex. Bond		9	12 0
"9" Dragons	.30	36 Ex. Bond		10	2 0
"Elephant" Drills	.29	40 ..	„	16	8 0
"Duck" Drills	.26	40 ..	„	14	14 0

YARN MARKET.

Bombay, Dec. 17.

Our market has remained very quiet and depressed throughout the week under review and prices have gone down to some extent on account of continued absence of satisfactory demand from any quarters. Cotton has continued to remain weak with some fluctuations and the reports from almost all the principal markets of India being very quiet dealers have lost confidence and are not inclined to operate even at lower rates. Mills on the other hand have not been producing their normal quantities of yarn and although they are eager to sell some of their productions they are still waiting and do not feel inclined to meet buyers at rates which are quite unremunerative to them. Reports from Rangoon and China are quiet and it is further reported from China that on account of the political disturbances both in China and Japan, the Chinese and Japanese mills have been selling their coarse yarns at much lower rates and it is believed that any price over 10 annas for a well known quality of No. 10s Yarn from Bombay will not suit the China Market. The position on the whole is very unsettled at the moment and it will naturally require still a few days before the trend of the market can be safely judged.

English Yarns.—Manchester reports lower prices and as a result inquiries for Cops and bundle yarns have substantially increased and several offers are on Cable, but the bulk of business actually booked is still very small on account of large difference between the prices offered by the buyers and sellers. Small lots are however being placed and if prices are further lowered to the extent of 2 to 3d. in Manchester business in satisfactory quantities will be in evidence.

Japanese Yarns.—Turnover is comparatively much better than both in Indian and English yarns and in some cases there being no stocks prices for immediate deliveries have advanced. Further whereas for nearer shipments low prices have been realised. Plenty of inquiries are in evidence for almost all kinds of yarns both in single, twofold and mercerised, and business is being freely done both in ready and forward deliveries. The rates offered by the Japanese Houses are very attractive and as the sales are quickly possible, these being very current yarns, dealers prefer to buy Japanese yarns which they are able to dispose of whenever they like. During the week much business for forward deliveries has not been possible on account of Exchange having gone up although the prices from Japan in Yen are practically the same.

Indian Yarns.—Mills have resumed working, but it will take much time before they are able to produce their normal quantities of yarns as in the past inasmuch as all the workmen have not yet returned. The sales reported by the mills are very poor and even then rates realised are not at all satisfactory or remunerative. In view of weak Cotton position mills are eager to meet buyers and place forward sales in large quantities, but offers received by them are very discouraging and so long as there are no stocks with them they are not inclined to quote their prices to a limit which is not remunerative. Stocks with the mills in Bombay are not more than 15,000 bales at the moment and hence they prefer to wait for some time so long as the market remains unsettled. Up-country advices are not yet encouraging and it is reported that some of the up-country mills have been able to take full advantage of the Bombay mills' strike and have been able to sell most of their productions and to make large forward sales at prices fairly remunerative. This has caused much disadvantage to the Bombay mills whose qualities were running largely in those markets and naturally it will require an amount of sacrifice on the part of the Bombay mills before they are again able to run their qualities in the large lots as before.

Although the market seems weak at the moment we think within a course of a few days, especially in the beginning of the next month, things will settle down and a fair amount of sales by the mills will be done at satisfactory prices to both the sides.

SUGAR MARKET.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

There have been irregular small fluctuations in Ready Prices with scattered purchase enquiries during the week under review. Forward Prices were steady at the outset, easier during the middle of the week under review whereas the during latter half of the week, prices have improved by about 5d. per cwt. The highest and the lowest rates this week were Rs. 15/14 and Rs. 15/10 for Ready Sugar, Sh. 15/6 and Sh. 15/1 for Nov./Dec., Sh. 15/1 and Sh. 14/8 for Jan./Feb./March and Sh. 14/9 and Sh. 14/4 for July/Sept. Shipment; for Java Sugar; Sh. 15/1 and Sh. 14/8 for December and Sh. 14/9 and Sh. 14/8 for Jan./Feb/March. Shipment for B. R. B. Sugar.

Total Stocks inclusive of fresh arrivals of about 3,000 bags of B. R. B. Sugar per S. S. Hamidia and of 52, 253 bags of Java Sugar per S. S. Silvo Police are estimated at 50,000 bags of Java Sugar of 2,000 bags of Beet Sugar.

Following are the closing quotations ruling the bazar to-day:—

Fine White Java Sugar:—

Ready Rs. 15/12 per Cwt.

Shipment Nov/Dec. Sh. 15/6 per Cwt. F. B. H.

Shipment Jan./Feb./March Sh. 15 per Cwt. F. B. H.

New Crop Java Sugar:—

Shipment July/Sept. Sh. 14/8 per Cwt. F. B. H.

B. R. B. Beet Sugar:—

Shipment December Sh. 15/1 per Cwt. F. B. H.

Shipment Jan./Feb./March Sh. 14/9 per Cwt. F. B. H.

SUGAR MARKET REPORT.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

We have to report a steady market during the week with good demand and with higher advices from other markets prices have fluctuated to the extent of 6d. per cwt. and small parcels changed hands amongst dealers in White Javas November-December at 15s. 2d. to 15s. 7d. and January-March at 14s. 7d. to 15s. 1d. F. B. Harbour. New Crop is quite neglected and no business has been done.

Karachi and Calcutta reported steadier markets with fair business doing. Java reported a steadier market with good business doing and prices have been advanced by quarter gilder.

America and London reported a strong market during the week with good business doing.

The following are the Bazar rates and stocks:—

T. M. O. Rs. 15-12-0 equal to 15s. 9d. F. B. Harbour, 60,000 bags.

T. M. O. November-December 15s. 6d. F. B. Harbour.

T. M. O. January-March 15s. F. B. Harbour.

T. M. O. July-September 14s. 7d. F. B. Harbour.

B. R. B. January-March 14s. 10d.

S. S. "Silvo Pelico" arrived from Java with 52,000 bags of Java Sugar.

JAVA SUGAR.

London, Dec. 17.

Fine White Java C. and F. Calcutta 16/- Jan.-Mar. sellers.

Fine White Java C. and F. Calcutta 14/9 July-Sept. sellers.

Fine White Java C. and F. Bombay 14/11½, July-Sept. sellers.

Fine White Java C. and F. Karachi 15/0 1/4 July-Sept. sellers.

Tone:—Holders firm not much demand.

Cuban Sugar 11/6 Nov.-Dec. sellers.

Cuban Sugar N/D sellers 11/6

CHEMICALS.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

Quotations:—

Soda Caustic, Rs. 18-0-0.

Soda Sulphide German, Rs. 10-4-0.

Soda Hydrosulphide B.A.S.F., Re. 0-11-0.

Salt Aniline, Re. 0-9-0.

Salt Antimony, Re. 0-8-0.

Salt Epsom, Rs. 4-2-0.

Salt Glauber, Rs. 4-4-0.

Potash Chlorate, Re. 0-4-3.

Pota Bichromate, Rs. 32-8-0.

Chloride Magnesium, Rs. 5-6-0.

Chloride Zinc, Rs. 20-0-0.

Acid Acetic, Re. 0-7-0.

Acid Oxalic, Re. 22-0-0.

Sago Flour, Rs. 12-12-0.

Farina, Rs. 14-0-0.

Alumina Sulphate, Rs. 7-0-0.

Litharge, Rs. 38-0-0.

Alum of Chrome, Re. 15-8-0.

Bleaching Powder, Rs. 11-0-0.

Farina, Sago and Maize Starch have been ruling very quiet. Indenting value of Farina kept firm at £17 per ton and of Sago at Rs. 9-12-0 per cwt. c.i.f. Bombay. Caustic Soda and Soda Ash are quiet. Epsom changed hands at Rs. 3-12-0 per bag. Market in general is still very dull and the consumers have not put in animated inquiries.

MILL STORES.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

Quotations are:—

Healds-Cotton, Rs. 1.1.6.

Healds-Elastic, Rs. 20.0.0.

Reeds, Re. 0-2-2.

Roller Cloth 16 oz., Rs. 8.0-0.

Roller Cloth 18 oz., Rs. 9.0.0.

Sizing Flannel 72 in., Rs. 4.0.0.

Bandings-rim-scroll, Rs. 1.4.6.

Bandings-Tubular, Rs. 1.12.9.

Bandings-Spindle, Rs. 1.4-6.

Bobbins-Slubbing Wilson, Rs. 49.0.0.

Bobbins-Rovings Japan, Rs. 20-0.0.

Bobbins-Conical 5in., Rs. 6.0.0.

Bobbins-Weft 5 3/8in., Rs. 5.8-0.

Rope Lambeth, Rs. 1.13.0.

Healds and Reeds improved in demand. Bandings are quiet. Japanese Bobbins have had no changes in prices. Flannels and Woollen goods are also quiet. Animation is anticipated in January when Mills will work in full swing.

BARLEY.

London, Dec. 17.

Karachi Barley nominal.

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ENGAGEMENTS.

TO-DAY.

University Senate Meeting, Sir C. J. Hall, 4 p.m.

Bombay Winter Race meeting: Second Day.

The s.s. Devanha with the English mails leaves at 1 p.m.

B. B. AND C. I. RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

The principal mail and Express Trains arrive at and depart from Colaba station at the following hours daily. Standard time is given in all cases:—

	Bombay (Colaba) Arr.	Dep.
Bombay Peshawar Mail	11.15	16.30
Gujarat Mail	7.40	20.45
Kathiawar Mail	8.49	M. 5
Delhi Express	6.30	21.25
Express. Terminates at Ch. Gate.	20.25	7. 0

The Gujarat Mail is intended for passengers for Ahmedabad and via Ahmedabad for the Sind Mail and vice versa.

The Kathiawar Mail is intended for Passengers for the Metre-gauge Delhi Mail and for Sanand, Chharodi, Viramgam and via Viramgam for Kathiawar and vice versa.

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION.

Cablegrams for telegraph stations in Hedjaz (Arabia) cannot be accepted except for Djejja, Yambo, Wejh and Medina. Private telegrams for these places should be written in plain language and will be accepted at sender's risk.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The outward P. and O. Mail Steamer "Malwa" with the mails from London of the 10th instant arrived at Port Said at 2-30 p.m on the 16th instant and left there at 7 p.m. the same day.

The N. and O. Mail Steamer "China" with the Mails from Bombay of 12th instant arrived at Aden at 2 p.m. on the 16th instant

The P. and O. Mail Steamer "China" carrying Bombay Mails of 12th instant ex s.s. China left Aden at 6 p.m. on the 16th instant.

The N. Y. K. "Penang Maru" left Colombo for Bombay on 15th instant and is due to arrive here on 19th idem.

The P. and O. Mail Steamer "Mantua" arrived London on Thursday the 27th instant.

The Clan Line s.s. "Mackinlay" arrived at Suez on the evening of 15th instant.

CITY'S HEALTH.

The following statement shows the total mortality from 6 a.m. of 17th instant to 6 a.m. of 18th instant:

	Attacks	Deaths.
Small-pox	Nil	Nil
Cholera	Nil	Nil
Plague	Nil	Nil
Influenza	Nil	Nil

Total Mortality (Exclusive of Stillborn) 60.

Total Mortality this day last year was 97.

POSTAL NOTICE.

Superscribed Mails for Singapore, China and Japan per s.s. "Tokushima Maru" will be closed at the General Post Office at 9-0 a.m. to-day (Saturday) instead of at 11 a.m.

Mails for Ceylon, the Straits Settlements China and Japan per s.s. "Delta" will be closed at the General Post Office at 11-30 a.m. on Tuesday the 22nd instant.

ELPHINSTONE COLLEGE HOSTEL UNION.

The second session of the Union will be opened to-day at 5-30 p.m. by Rev. Sutton of Glasgow. The subject of his lecture is "Swedenborg and His Teachings". Mr. P. Joseph will preside.

RADIO CLUB.

A programme of selected items will be broadcast from the Studio from 6 to 8 p.m. to-day (Saturday) and an after dinner concert arranged by Mr. Stanley Walker will be transmitted from 9-45 p.m. Call Sign 2 F V. Wavelength 387 Metres.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

We have received a copy of the "National Calendar" for 1926 published by Messrs. Lajpatrai and Sons, Lohari Gate, Lahore. It bears a coloured picture of Sri Krishna succouring Draupadi.

G. T. HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS.

The sports of the above school will be held to-day (Saturday) at 3 p.m. (S.T.) in the school compound at Kalkadevi Road.

BOMBAY Y. M. C. A. CENTRAL BRANCH.

To-day (Saturday) December 19th, at the usual Popular Saturday Evening to be held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, Wodehouse Road, at 9-15 p.m., a concert will be given by J. Broadsdale, Esq., and concert party.

ASTHIKA SAMAJ.

Under the auspices of the Asthika Samaj Swami Yatiswaranand of Ramkrishna Mission, Khar Road, will conduct the weekly Geeta Class to-day (Saturday) at 5-40 p.m. (S.T.) on the to xoor terrace of the Nanji Ludha Building, Matunga, G. I. P. side.

LABOUR'S NEXT STRUGGLES.

Under the auspices of the All India Trade Union Congress, Mr. T. Johnston, Labour, M.P. will deliver a public lecture to day (Saturday) at 6 15 p.m. (S.T.) in the Marwadi Vidyalaya, Girgaum, on "Labour's Next Struggles". Mr. Joseph Baptista, M. L. C., will preside.

LABOUR MEETING AT KURLA.

Under the auspices of the All India Trade Union Congress, Mr. T. Johnston, Labour, M. P. and Mr. Shaw, Secretary of the Dundee Jute Workers' Association will address the textile workers at Kurla tomorrow (Sunday) at 9 a.m. (S.T.)

WILSON HIGH SCHOOL.

A farewell meeting to present an address to the retiring teacher Mr. K. A. Keluskar will be held in the school hall to-day (Saturday) at 4 30 p.m. (S.T.) when Principal J. R. Cuthbert will preside. Past and present pupils, colleagues and friends are requested to be present.

BOMBAY SANITARY ASSOCIATION.

Under the auspices of the Bombay Sanitary Association a magic lantern lecture will be delivered by Dr. M. H. Shaha on "Small-pox" to-day (Saturday) in the Hall of the Lady Northcote Orphanage at Chowpati, at 9 p.m. (S.T.)

PUBLIC LECTURE ON OLD IRAN.

Under the auspices of the Rathestar Mandal a public lecture will be delivered in Gujarati by Mr. B. S. Banaji, on the "influence of Ancient Iranian Civilisation on the Modern World", exhibited by the several interesting lanterns slides followed by specially composed songs and music on "the dear old land of the Parsis." The meeting will be held at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall this (Saturday) evening at 5-30 p.m. when Naeb Dastur R. E. Sanjana will preside.

BOMBAY AMUSEMENTS.

EXCELSIOR.

The London Musical Comedy Company, which still draws big audiences at the Excelsior Theatre, will present that musical play "Kitty Grey" this evening and to-morrow. On Monday they will play "The Belle of New York" again, on Tuesday "The Maid of the Mountains", and on Wednesday "Betty". On Christmas eve at 9-30 p.m. the company will present an original Musical Farce "Peaches" which will be preceded by a monster vaudeville Bill. This will be repeated on Xmas Day Matinee performance at 5-30 p.m. On Xmas eve at 9-30 p.m. there will be no performance. On Saturday the company will present "All the Winners" which will consist of the most Popular items in the company's extensive repertoire. This will be repeated on Sunday Matinee when the company will be farewell to Bombay.

PATHE.

What marriage vows mean to a mettlesome young girl with the desire to drink deep of the wine of life is the subject matter of the popular novel, "Brass" coming to the Royal Opera House for a week beginning to-night. "Brass" is a Warner Brothers classic of the screen adapted from the book written by Charles G. Norris. It deals with marriage and divorce, and in its book from it is attaining wide renown through its realistic treatment of the marriage question. Monte Blue, the tall, handsome screen player with a wealth of personality, plays the feature role in this picture where the role of trouble maker is reversed. Here, the woman is the errant one, tiring of home and domestic ties, while the man is the faithful home-staying person in need of shelter and protection after the day's hard tussle in business.

GLOBE.

On the banks of the world-famous Ronefoss Falls near cristiania in Norway two gentlemen started a quarrel and boxed each other hotly until both of them felt down from the rock into the torrent. Luckily they did not fall right into the waters but landed on a raft which, however, under the vehement shock tore losse from its fastenings and went down the torrent at a terrible speed carrying the two men along. A passing soldier could be prevented just in the nick of time from jumping into the water to rescue them; he was much astonished to hear that this was only a scene to be taken for "The Fatal Diamond", one of the tensest stunt pictures ever made. One of the bold jumpers was Carlo Aldini, the famous Italian, who plays the principal part in this picture, showing other daredevil stunts of his to be counted by dozens. "The Fatal Diamond" is running this week at the Globe Cinema and provides one and half hour of a agreeable and interesting entertainment.

DEFAMATION CHARGE AGAINST "NAWAKAL".

PREFERRED BY SHOLAPUR POLICE SUPERINTENDENT.

The chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay, served a notice on Mr. K. P. Khadilkar, editor, "Nawakal", yesterday, to appear before him in person on the 13th of January 1926 to answer to a charge of defamation preferred against him by Mr. Duncan Macdonald, Superintendent of Police Sholapur, under Sections 500 and 50 of the Indian Penal Code in connection with the messages of the Sholapur Correspondent of the journal in regard to the local riots.

COMING MUNICIPAL ELECTION.

PUBLIC MEETING.

Under the auspices of the Congress Nationalist Municipal Election Board a public meeting will be held in the open compound of the Deccani Brahmans' Colony, near King's Circle Police Station to-day (Saturday) at 9 p.m. (S.T.) when election speeches will be made by prominent Nationalist candidates for the coming Municipal Elections. Among the speakers will be Messrs. Velji L. Nappoo, Pothen Joseph, Dr. M. B. Velkar, Dr. N. D. Sevarkar, Messrs. Shivdas Champsey, B. N. Mehisheri, Ranchhoddas Gandhi and M. N. Joshi.

SHARE MARKET.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

LOCAL BANKS.	Paid up Rs.	Last Divid.	Quotation Rs a.
Bank of India	50	3	70
Baroda	50	4	73
Central Co-operative	50	7½	50
Central	25	1½	22 6
Eastern	£5	9 p.c.	77
Imperial	500	40	1465
Imperial Contributory	£125	10	380
Union	7½	—	3 6
CEMENTS AND MANGANESE			
Bundi	10	—	9
Central India Mining	10	4-8y	32 8
Indian Cement O.	350	—	30
Katni Cement O.	100	—	30
Katni Cement D.	40	—	95
Punjab Cement O.	10	..	1 14
Shivrajpure	10	8—0	50 5
RAILWAY COMPANIES			
Ahmedabad Prantej	500	11 p.c.	815
Amritsar Pattis	100	10 p.c.	141
Central Provinces	100	7½ p.c.	109
Dhond Baramati	100	6 p.c.	84
Gujerat	100	5 p.c.	76
Hoshiarpur Doab	100	5 p.c.	78
Larkana	100	5 p.c.	71
Mandra Bhon	90	5 p.c.	69
Pachora Jammer	100	5 p.c.	74
Sara Sirajgunj	100	5 p.c.	76
Sialkot Narowal	100	5 p.c.	86 8
Sind Light	100	6 p.c.	154
Tapti Valley	500	8 p.c.	617 8
Upper Sind Light	100	4 p.c.	65
STEAMER COMPANIES.			
Bombay Steam Navigation O.	250	—	122
Bombay Steam Navigation P.	250	—	205
Scindia Steam	30		8 8
ELECTRIC UNDERTAKINGS.			
Ahmedabad Electricity	100	5 p.c.	80 8
Andhra Valley O.	1,000		522 8
Andhra Valley P.	1000	—	902 8
Bombay Tramways O.	50	4	101 14
Bombay Tramways P.	50	7 p.c.	59
Tata Hydro-Elec. O.	1,000	30	882 8
Tata HydroElec. P.	1,000	7 p.c.	910
Karachi Electricity	100	6	74
Surat Electricity	100	—	57 8
Tata Power O.	1,000	—	355
Tata Power P.	1,000	—	500
PRESS COMPANIES.			
Akbar	500	—	475
Fort	475	..	200
Harvey & Sabapathy	500	90-35	945
Indian Cotton	125	20	215
Manmad Manufacturing	250	—	200 xD
New Beras	500	80	855
New East India	1,000	..	2500
New Mofussil P.	400	40	550
New Prince of Wales	500	61	740
Volkart U. P.	500	40	630 +D
MISCELLANEOUS COMPANIES.			
Alcock Ashdown	100	—	147 8
Belapur Co. Ltd.	75	—	7
B. Burma T. Corporation Old.	125	7-8	402 8
B Burma T. Corporation New	50	5	106 4
Burma Corporation	10	0-6	12 b
Bombay Uganda	80	4-12	41
British Burma Petroleum	100	—	5 8
Indo-Burma Petroleum	100	—	175
Jost Engineering	50	7-8	75 +D
Mckenzie	100	30 p.c.	315
New Union Flour Mills	100	..	30
Port Canning	1,000	50	620
Sardar Carbonic Gas	100	—	45
Tata Iron Pref. 1st	150	—	89
Tata Iron Pref.	100	—	24
Tata Iron Defd.	30	—	45 10
ata Iron and Steel Co. O.	75	—	14
Thacker	50	—	150
Telephone	50	1	20
INSURANCE COMPANIES.			
Empire of India Life	50	22-8	500
Jupiter	15	..	4 4
New India	25	1-0	12 8
Oriental Life	50	30 p.c.	310
Vulcan	10	—	2
MILLS.			
Ahmedabad Advance	100	12	390
Alliance	100	—	40
Apollo	50	—	9 8
Assur Virjee	100	—	4
Berar Manfg.	200	30	350
Bombay Cotton O.	500	15	340
Bombay Cotton P.	10	5 p.c.	5
Bombay Dyeing etc.	250	50	810
Bombay Industrial	100	—	11
Bombay Woollen	100	..	70
Bradbury	250	10	400
Bradbury P.	250	7 p.c.	200
Broach Fine Counts	250	..	20
Century	100	20	402 8
Central India O.	100	16	453 12
Central India P.	500	5 p.c.	402 8
Ceylon	100	..	50
Colaba Land & Mill	100	7-8	122 8
Coorla	100	7	140
Crescent	100	6	196 4
Currimbhoy	250	—	335
David	500	—	370
Meyer Sassoon	500	—	100
Morarjee Goculdas	1,000	60	2035
Model Mills, Nagpur	250	—	130
Mysore	50	5	123 12
New City of Bombay	100	10	230
New Great Eastern	280	10y	292 8
Osmanshahi (100)	75	..	75
Pearl	250	12	450
Phoenix	100	15	451 4
Platon	100	—	11 8
Premier	100	—	43 12
Sassoon Cotton	100	—	20
Sassoon Silk	500	—	460
Sholapur	1,000	250 xd	7300
Simplex	250	—	152 8
Sir Shapurji Broacha	100	—	47 8
Standard	500	100	1200
Swadeshi	100	18	437 8
Swan	100	56	150
Tata Mill O.	500	..	70
Vishnu Cotton O	500	90	1235
Vishnu P.	500	35	535
Western India Spng.	1,000	100	530
Dawn	250	40	615
Diamond O.	100	—	5
E. D. Sassoon United O.	10	—	1—0—0
Ebrahimbhoy Pabaney	250	15y	270
Edward Sassoon	200	—	156 4
Elphinstone O.	100	—	29 6
Emperor Edward	500	—	300
Fazulbhoy	250	25	333 12
Finlay	100	20	123 12
Framjee Petit	1000	—	550
Globe	100	—	40
Gokak	100	7	120
Gold Mohur	100	—	14
Hindustan	1,000	100	1110
Indian Bleaching, etc.	100	10	205
Indian Manufacturing	1,000	200	88
Indore-Malwa United	100	10	392 8
Indian Woollen	50	—	2
Jamshed O.	250	—	70
Kastoorchand	500	—	90
Khandesh	1,000	200	2300
Khatau Makanjee	100	6	105
Kilachand	25	—	3 12
Kohinoor	500	..	850
Lakshmi Cotton	1,000	150	4725
Madhorao Scindia	100	—	27
Madhowji Dharamsi	100	..	120
Madras United	250	15	425
Maneckjee Petit	1,000	100	2100
Mathradas	100	—	120

SHARE-MARKET FLUCTUATIONS.

Bombay, Dec 18.

Ahmedabad	39
Bombay Cotton	340
Bombay Dyeing	828-12 843-12, 828-12, 840
Century	398-12, 403-12, 398-12 402-8
Central India	447-8, 455, 447-8, 457-2
Colaba Land	122-8
Orescent	195-4
Edward Sassoon	156-4
Fazulbhoy	828-12, 826-4, 828-12, 833-12
Finlay	121-4
Globe	40
Gokak	120
Indian Bleaching	205
Indore Malwa	385, 392-8, 395, 392-8
Kohinoor	850
Madhowjee	120
Mathuradas	120
Meyer Sassoon	100
Mysore	123-12
New Great	290, 293-12, 290, 292-8
Pabaney	200
Pearl	443-12, 452-8, 443-12, 450
Phoenix	451-4
Simplex	147-8, 151-4 147-8 152-8
Swadeshi	438, 437-8, 435, 437-8
Swan Mills	150
Tata Mill	70
MISCELLANEOUS	
Alcock	147-8
Bombay Steam	120
" Tram Co., Ord	101-14
Bandi Cement	9
Indian Cement	3
Central India Mining	32-8
Katni Cement Ord.	30
Shivrajpur	50-8
Tata Hydro	873-12, 883-12, 87412, 882-8
Tata Iron & Steel, Ord.	43-12, 47-8, 43-12 45-10
Tata Iron & Steel. Def.	13-12, 14-8. 13-12 14

C. M. PAREKH'S QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

Jute:—Albion 450; Alliance 520; Anglo-India 390; Auckland 235; Barnagore 162, Bally 190; Belvedere 475; Budge-Budge 420-17; Caledonian 545; Chapdani 171; Clive 35; Craig 5; Cheviot 240; Dalhousie 360; Delta 480; Empire 49/8; Fort Gloster 820; Fort William 319; Gondalpara 820; Gourepore 670; Hukumchand 10; Hooghly 74; Hiwrah 87/5; Kamarhatty 500; Kankanarrah 460-55; Kelvin 770; Kinnison 960; Lansdowne 252; Lawrence 580; Lothian 370; Naihati 440-30; National 26/8; New Central 550; Northbrook 51; Orient 188; Presidency 7; Reliance 61; Standard 380; Union 560; Waverly 7; Hessian 21/14; Jute 113/8.

Cotton:—Dunbar 208; Keshavram Cotton 5/2.

Miscellaneous:—B. I. Corporation 4/12; B. I. Corporation D 3/12; Madon Theatres 3; Imperial Bank 1447; Imperial Cotty. 370.

Remarks:—Jute shares weak. Cotton shares very strong with upward tendency.

THE METAL MERCHANTS CO.

(sued Rates for Brass and Copper) Daily Quotations.

BRASS.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

	Per md.	Rs. a. p.
Brass, English	¼	57 8 0
Brass, English	1	57 8 0
Brass, English	1¼	58 0 0
Brass, English	1½	58 0 0
Brass, English	1¾	58 0 0
Brass, English	2	58 0 0
German Brass ½ to 2.		57 8 0

COPPER.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

	Per md.	Rs. a. p.
Copper, German	¼	62 8 0
Copper, German	1	62 8 0
Copper, German	1¼	62 8 0
Copper, American	1½	62 10 0
Copper American	1¾	62 10 0
Copper, American	2	62 10 0
Japanese Copper Bars		62 0 0
Panchteka Joint		26 12 0
Copper, English Bars		61 8 0
Brass Bars		41 0 0
Pat Kiai		74 0 0
Lead Country		26 8 0
Zoger Brass, Metal ½ to 1		56 0 0
" " 1¼ to 1½, 1½ to 2		56 0 0
German Copper 1½ to 1¾ to 2		62 8 0
American Copper ½ to 1, 1¼		62 10 0
French Copper 3/4 to 2		62 6 0
English Copper 3/4 to 2		62 8 0

METALS.

London, Dec. 17.

English best Selected Copper £63 1/4
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Bombay, Dec. 18.

	Per lb.	Rs. a. p
Kilachand	No. 14½	0 10 9
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Currimbhai	No. 12 1/2	0 11 0
Elphinstone	No. 12 1/2	0 10 9
David	No. 10 1/2	0 10 9
Shapurji	No. 10 1/2	0 10 6
Tukamdas	No. 10 1/2	0 11 0
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JANUARY.

18th December 1925.

Previous Closing Rate	18 54
To-day's Opening Rate	18.55
Difference	+1
To-day's Closing Rate	18.59
Difference	+5

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

(Through Cotton Telegraphic Information Service, Ismail Bld, Hornby Road Bombay).

JANUARY.

18th, December 1925

Previous Closing Rate	9.50
To-day's Opening Rate	9.52
Difference	+2
To-day's Closing Rate	9.56
Difference	+6
Sewri Closing	357-8-0
Khandi Closing	358-0-0

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

3½ per cent Rupee Paper Rs. 68/11
4 per cent. Conversion Loan due 1931-36 Rs. 86/8.
5 per cent. War Loan due 1929-47 Rs. 95/12.
5 per cent. Loan due 1935 Rs. 95/14.
5 per cent. Loan (Tax Free) due 1933 Rs. 99/14.
5 per cent. Loan (Tax Free) due 1945-55 Rs. 99/13.
5½ per cent. War Bonds (Tax Free) due 1923 Rs. 105/7.
6 per cent. Bonds (Tax Free) due 1926 Rs. 100/6
6 per cent. Bonds (Tax Free) due 1927 Rs. 101/6.
6 per cent. Bonds (Tax Free) due 1930 Rs. 103/10
6 per cent. Bonds (Tax Free) due 1931 Rs. 104/6
6 per cent. Bonds (Tax Free) due 1932 Rs. 105.
6½ per cent. B'bay Devp. Loan (Tax Free) due 1935 Rs. 108/14.
4 per cent. Port Trust due 1974 Rs. 75
4 per cent. Municipal due 1974 Rs. 75
6 per cent. Bombay Municipal due 1955 Rs. 102/4.
4 per cent. Improvement Trust due 1974 Rs. 75.
6 per cent. Municipal due 1939-45 Rs. 100/8.

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SHARES.

London, Dec. 17.

Hongkong Bank £12½,
Chartered Bank £21/-.
National Bank £46 1/4.
P. and O. Bank £8 7/8.
Eastern Bank £6.

London, Thursday, Dec. 17.

The Bank of England Returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—

Total Bullion £144,800,000 Dec. £200,000.
Public Deposits £10,700,000 Inc. £1,900,000.
Other Deposits £118,300,000 Dec. £1,900,000.
Govt. Securities £48,400,000 Dec. £6,000,000.
Other Securities £78,100,000 Inc. £7,000,000.
Notes and Gold £20,400,000 Dec. £1,000,000.

The Bank Reserve is 15.3 per cent. of the Liabilities.

CASH BALANCE GOVT. OF INDIA.

(In thousands of rupees).

	31st Aug. 1925.	30th Sept. 1925.
In District Treasuries ...	23,648	23,523
With the Imperial Bank of India ...	196,220	99,586
Total	2,18,868	1,23,109
	31st Oct. 1925.	30th Nov. 1925.
In District Treasuries ...	25,599	26,140
With the Imperial Bank of India ...	73,982	67,437
Total ...	99,581	93,577

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 18.

Jutes in sympathy with hessians rates showed some declensions to-day and there was little or no outside support noticeable. Cottons hardly exhibited any variations but undertone was fully steady. Small business only resulted in coals, nevertheless there was no give in prices. Bhulanbararee was marked three points up. Teas attracted little attention and moderate turnover took place Rubbers remained steady in absence of much business.

Miscellaneous:—There were no interesting features to record. Government securities were steady.

Cottons:—Dunbar 202, Kesoram 4/15.

Jutes:—Clive 34/8, Howrah 37, Standard 384.

Coals.—Bengal Nagpore 66/8, Bhulanbararee 22/4.

Miscellaneous:—Burma Corporation 12-10 Assam Saw Mills 1/12, Champaran Sugar 9/4, Rubber, Bassett S. 2.20, Brunei United S. 13.15. Tea.—Batteli 7, New Porupbari 12/4.

Exchange bank telegraphic transfer was one shilling and six and five thirty-second pence and demand bills were one shilling and six and three sixteenths pence.—A. P.

TO-DAY'S RACES.

WINTER MEETING:—2ND DAY.

SELECTIONS BY "SENEX."

THE HAMADAN PLATE. Division I.—Distance 7 furlongs. 2-15 p.m.

MOOAFAK	1
PRIDE	2
TIGER KING	3

THE HAMADAN PLATE. Division II.—Distance 7 furlongs. 2-45 p.m.

ROYAL GEORGE	1
GOORJEE	2
AFTAB	3

THE HAMADAN PLATE. Division III.—Distance 7 furlongs. 3-15 p.m.

MOOSAAD	1
WELDON	2
AMALFI	3

THE HAMADAN PLATE. Division IV.—Distance 7 furlongs. 3-45 p.m.

VIN	1
ARAB PRINCE	2
TRUSTY	3

THE STOCKTON PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs. 4-15 p.m.

CRUSHED GLASS	1
LADY JUNIOR	2
RIVERINE	3

THE DECEMBER PLATE. 4-45 p.m.

GEORGINA	1
PREY	2
HARD BATTLE	3

THE WAVERTREE HANDICAP.—Distance 9 furlongs. 5-15 p.m.

GREEN ISLET	1
RADHA PIARI	2
CHURCHTOWN	3

THE BYCULLA PLATE.—Distance 1 mile. 5-45 p.m.

BUCKNELL	1
COMMANDER	2
COSSACK	3

SCOTTISH CUP DRAW.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

The following is a draw in the first round, proper of the Scottish Cup to be played on 2nd January:—

Nairn County vs. St. Johnstone; Peebles Rovers vs. Keith; Royal Albert vs. Alloa; Arbroath vs. Berwick Rangers; Cowdenbeath vs. Hamilton Academicals; Kilmarnock vs. Celtic; Boness vs. East Fife; Clyde vs. Dunfermline; Hibernians vs. Broxburn; Bathgate vs. East Stirling; Queen's Park vs Clydebank; Dumbarton vs. Buckie; Third Lanark vs. Moorpark; Solway Star vs Johnstone; Partick vs. Motherwell; Aberdeen vs. St. Bernards; Dundee vs. Inverness Caleys; Albion vs. Ninthsdale; Civil Service vs. Leith; Rangers vs. Lochgelly; Dundee United vs. Hearts; King's Park vs. Peterhead; Montrose vs. Clachnacuddin; Douglas Wanderers vs. Forfar; Brechin vs. Thornhill; Raith vs. Ayr; Arthurlie vs. Armadale; Stenhousemuir vs. Vale of Leven; Queen of South vs. Airdrieonians; Breadalbane vs. Falkirk; St. Mirren vs. Midarnandale and Dykehead vs. Moryon.

FOOTBALL MATCHES.

In the Association Cup reply, Wigan beat Crew by 2 goals to 1. (2) In the League Football, First Division, Bury beat Burnley by 8 goals to 1. (3) In the Third Division, the Northern Section Bradford beat New Brighton by 1 goal to nil. (4) The Navy beat Football Association by 5 goals to nil at Portsmouth.

The Rugby Matches which were to have been played to-day were postponed owing to frost.—Reuter's Special.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1925.

CLAMOUR OF RACIALISM.

Sceptical though we are of the actual outcome of the Skeen Committee's deliberations, the evidence adduced ought to confirm the contention that the steps by the Government for the Indianisation of the Army have been half-hearted and inapposite. If the report favours the establishment of an Indian Sandhurst and the rapid admission of Indians in the commissioned ranks, it will be open to the Government to put the recommendations on the top of the Headlam Committee's report and sit upon the entire file on the plea of leisurely consideration. The terms of reference portend very little definite good, but the discussion throws salutary light on the army question. Before the war, Indians were persistently debarred from holding the King's commission. The suggestion of fairplay was not considered even reasonable by the old tradition. When the suggestion was once timidly made, Lord Roberts turned it down as a manifest impossibility and Lord Roberts had been considered a friend of the Indian soldier and a great-hearted gentleman. He was firm that British officers would never tolerate the presumption, and the opposition was regarded as one of the commonplaces of sound policy. Older Congressmen viewed the attitude with bitter resignation, and it was left to the experiences of the war to galvanise the demand for honourable careers in the army. All who served the colours realised the importance and the feasibility of having the army officered by Indians, and the myth of racial superiority was exploded. Moreover the growth of political agitation revealed to Indians that the bureaucracy had in reserve the argument of military control; indeed officials began to sneer, in debates and despatches, at the reliance of the Indian Army on British officers. We pay for our defence and our army serves as the striking arm of Britain in her embroilments, but when the question of political reforms is raised, the facts are turned against us. We cannot escape the ignominy of our plight, and so acute did it become that the Government found themselves compelled to take measures of mitigation. Indians are to-day nominally admitted to the royal military college, Sandhurst, but the reservation of ten vacancies a year for Indian cadets, is utterly inadequate for the purpose of building up a national army, and the duty of the Skeen Committee is to outline schemes of swifter recruitment.

One of the terms of reference enquires whether it is desirable to have an Indian Sandhurst. The question requires only to be stated to be answered. More than three years ago the Government accepted a resolution in the Assembly recommending the establishment of a royal military college in India. Lord Rawlinson tried later to wriggle out of the commitment and it is owing to his resistance that the elementary issue is being solemnly investigated. The evidence before the Skeen Committee exposes some of the dreary excuses trotted by the brass-hat clique to delay the Indianisation of the army. One of the pleas of the die-hard was that even the recruitment of ten vacancies had been difficult because of the alleged absence of suitable candidates. It is monstrous fib. Thousands of eligible candidates will be forthcoming if the Government look for candidates with the aid of principals and head-masters as it is done in England. Mr. Rickey admitted that youngmen were available in considerable numbers, but the Government follow a policy of mystification and reserve to justify their anticipations of failure. The students know very little of the eager welcome of the Selection Boards; the parents know less. In fact the avenues in the army have suffered from bad publicity, and schools and colleges believe that the gates are barred except to young men who happen to be the nephews of wealthy loyalists. Have the principals of colleges been asked to exhibit notices prescribing the qualifications of entry and to recommend the names of probable candidates? What steps have Government taken to reduce the costs of preliminary training at Dehra Dun? All they have done is to emulate Diogenes and pretend to carry a lantern in broad day-light to discover their men. The evidence before the Committee again proves the futility of the eight-units scheme of Indianisation in one quarter of a century. Lieut. Rudra spoke for all young Indian officers when he expressed his distrust of regimental segregation. The method is wrong and obnoxious, and it is intended as a blind for putting the blame of preconcerted failure upon Indians. The eight units include two from cavalry, five from infantry and one pioneer battalion, and there is no great effort in the scheme for the admission of Indians to the artillery. To indicate the shadowy character of encouragement and to justify the comment of officers like Lieut Rudra we may refer to the supercilious attitude of Colonel Pope who is in charge of a unit in the colour-scheme of Indianisation. Has Colonel Pope faith in the scheme he is asked to administer? Hardly any, and the apathy of the professors of change helps the opposition of Indians; for, Colonel Pope, while being indulgent about Indian officers in "normal" circumstances, opined that "at a crisis," all the advantage rested with the European officer. A war ought to be deemed a testing crisis and Colonel Pope knows that from 1914-1919, the Indian proved strong enough to meet crisis after crisis. The evidence that the Indian is in capacity as good as the Britisher, ought conclusively to dispose of objections, especially when the Indian has had the handicap of disarmed tradition.

The fear of Lord Roberts was that the British officer would rather have a fight in the blood than serve his Indian superior, but the Government ought not to be daunted by obsolete bluff. The objection existed in the case of the Civil Services but British officials are now obeying the competition of merit. To succumb to the clamour of racialism would be to betray the whole cause of justice when firmness is required. As long as invidious treatment exists, Indians are bound to shy at Government offers and doubt the *bona fides* of segregation. The supply of suitable material is abundant, provided the Government recognise it. The Assembly will vote the money required, submitting to further taxation if necessary, if only the Government make a real attempt to Indianise the Commissions in twenty years. The experience of the territorial force is encouraging and the Universities have testified to their enthusiasm by espousing schemes of compulsion. To talk of the scarcity of men, is a distortion of the truth, and we hope that the Skeen Committee will furnish a straightforward scheme instead of truckling in advance to the War Office.

DELAYING TACTICS.

Eighteen months ago, thanks to the insistence of the Nationalist Party, the Bombay Municipal Corporation decided to open one Ayurvedic and one Unani dispensary in each ward of the city and asked the Commissioner to submit definite proposals to give effect to that decision. It was clear that the existing dispensaries were to remain intact. It was the business of the Commissioner to submit definite plans in pursuance of the Corporation's resolution. If, however, he thought that giving full effect to the resolution all at once would entail too heavy a burden on the Corporation's finances, it was open to him to submit an alternative plan of beginning with some selected areas for the indigenous systems. The Commissioner takes a year and a half over the matter, follows neither course, and coolly says to the Corporation, in effect, "Gentlemen, you were wrong in choosing both the systems, I would ask you to choose one or the other but not both." But beyond using a poor simile for an argument and exaggerating the difficult, of supervising the proposed dispensaries, he could not make out any convincing case for his non-possumus position. It is unnecessary now to dwell on the merits of the indigenous systems. They have stood the most rigorous test of time against all the onslaughts of the Western system. Their economy is unquestioned and it is no secret that thousands will not touch the foreign system. Yet, while the sickness-ridden city cries out for more medical relief, and while cities like Calcutta, Madras and Poona have actually demonstrated the possibility of following both systems simultaneously, here is the Corporation of Bombay compelled to hang up a matter of vital importance because of the delaying tactics of a recalcitrant Commissioner. The Medical Relief Committee to which the question has been referred, will, we trust, help the Corporation to make a beginning without any further delay.

Notes of the Day.

An Open Mind.

When one is on a delicate mission one has got to be diplomatic, and when he arrived at Durban, Mr. Syed Raza Ali decided to be diplomatic. On behalf of three-fourths of the deputation—the last quarter in the person of Sir Devaprasad Sarvadhikhari is still at sea—Mr. Raza Ali said that they had an entirely open mind, as they knew there were two sides to the Asiatic question. He no doubt intended to be tactful and conciliatory, but to say that they had an open mind on a well-threshed issue was as good as betraying a vacant mind. Dr. Malan does not affect to have an open mind, and there was no need for Mr. Raza Ali so to moderate his words as to distort the clear opinion of Indians on the South African menace. He is there to investigate labour conditions and if his language reflects his knowledge he is very much out of touch with Indian sentiment. We hope the deputation will return after doing their work instead of making any quotable pronouncements to the advantage of South African apologists.

Jail Horrors.

Giving evidence before the Punjab Jails Enquiry Committee Dr. Satyapal narrated his own experience as a martial law prisoner and declared that jails should be reformatories and not mere places for punishment. Chowdhri Afzal Haque, M.L.C., reinforced this view and contended that the only remedy for the evils of the present system was the abolition of the century-old ideas and methods based on the principle of punishments being retributive and the substitution of a more modern and humane ideal of the punishments being reformative. Some light on the horrors of the present system was shed by Prof. Ruchiram Sahani in a letter to the "Tribune" which showed that the bell chain was not a peciality of Bombay. The Home Member of the Punjab Government seemed ignorant about the existence of this practice. Writing to the "Tribune" Sardar Mangal Singh expresses regret at this ignorance on the part of a responsible official like the Home Member and says: "I have served a long sentence of rigorous imprisonment and during that time I had been to no less than half a dozen jails, namely, Lahore, Ludhiana, Amballa Mianwali, Montgomery and Rawalpindi. I can say on my personal knowledge that what is described by Professor Ruchi Ram Sahani in his letter published in the "Tribune", dated December 6 or what is said by some of the members of the Punjab Council during the discussion on the Jail Enquiry Committee, is unfortunately true. The practice of chaining together of prisoners at night when they are put in the chholdaries or small tents for want of accommodation, is common in all the jails throughout the Province. Ordinarily twelve prisoners are tied in one chholdari in two rows of six each, their feet being touching. An iron ring is put on the ankle of each prisoner. One chain is passed through all the twelve rings and is locked at one end. If one of them wants to make water a pot, which is kindly provided for them and is placed near them sometimes in their middle, is passed to him by the other prisoners. Sometime he has to cry for a long time until the sentinel intervenes and the pot is given to him. Of course there are frequent disturbances during the night and it can be imagined that sleep is hardly possible under these conditions."

Sardar Mangal Singh's Testimony.

Sardar Mangal Singh proceeds:—

"At the end of 1920 when I was in the Lahore Central Jail this practice was prevalent there. Both the convicted as well as the under-trial prisoners were treated in this way. Some chholdaries were pitched in the compound of the under-trial ward near my cell. As a special favour to me the warder used to open my cell first and close it last of all, so I was able to see the prisoners both morning and evening chained in the manner described above. I remember this so vividly that I am able to swear. The voice of the Burjwala calling chholdaries is still ringing in my ears when he used to call by name all the different parts of the jail to which is prompt reply of 'sab uchha' comes as a matter of fact. What was done in Lahore Central Jail is done in all the jails in the province whenever sufficient accommodation is not available. It can, however, be said to the credit of the jailwalas that generally speaking they hesitate to treat the "politicals" in this way, perhaps for fear of agitation outside and whenever they had to do it they would generally prefer "non-politicals" for this treatment." It is largely due to the exposure made by the political prisoners of such horrors in prisons that efforts are now being made to mitigate them.

S. I. Railway Disaster.

Was the South Indian Railway disaster at Pattukotah preventible? The Committee of Heads of Departments appointed by the Railway authorities to enquire into the disaster think that it was not and that there had been no negligence on the part of the railway staff. The public, however, is not disposed to accept this departmental opinion without reservations. It is true that for about five hours before the accident there was abnormal rain. But this very fact should have put the driver on his guard. The Committee of Enquiry itself admits that "having regard to the fact that abnormally heavy rain was falling from the time this train left Muthupet, it might reasonably be assumed that cautious driving on the part of the driver was desirable." After this clear admission, for the Committee to contend that "as there was not *sufficient* (italics, ours) flood water about to warrant cautious driving, the Committee do not consider that the driver erred in running at normal speed" amounts almost to self-contradiction. In the matter of medical relief, too, the Railway Company does not seem to have been prompt enough. The accident happened at 12.30 on the night of the 10th, but, according to the "Swarajya," not till late in the morning of the next day did the Company think of any relief. There is a clear case for an independent joint enquiry by officials and non-officials. We trust the Government of Madras will not shirk it.

The Dev Samaj.

Of the various movements inaugurated in India in recent times for reconstructing Hindu social life the Dev Samaj of Lahore, is, in some respects, a remarkable one. Discountenancing all controversies on the nature of God and man's relation to Him, it puts emphasis on living a pure, truthful and beneficent life. One is not, therefore, surprised to learn from the latest report of the Samaj that it can now count thousands among its adherents, dozens of institutions worked and maintained for the uplift of humanity and over a hundred active men and women workers. Its work in reclaiming the so-called criminal tribes in the Punjab during the last eight years has been creditable and gratefully recognised by the public and Government alike. Its educational work is equally commendable. It now conducts twenty-six schools, two being for girls, three for the "depressed" classes and four for the criminal tribes. The work of the Samaj is financed mainly with the aid of donations from the public all over India. Bombay is, as usual, conspicuous in the contributions. In view of the excellent work done by the Samaj we trust the donations will keep pace with its growing activities.

THE COMING CONGRESS.

ENDLESS DISCUSSION OR RESOLUTE ACTION ?

Mr. B. F. Bharucha writes:—

The Congress Week is fast approaching. Various resolutions of a controversial character are sent up for discussion. The nation's valuable time and energy have been wasted in subtle discussions and great orations. At Gaya, we caused a schism, and lost the opportunity of striking! At Cocanada, we lost three days in revising Rules and Regulations! At Belgaum, we came to an understanding, which was not fully put into practice! At Cawnpore, old questions are again to be raked up! Let us examine these briefly:—

Complete Independence: Once again, a resolution is to be moved regarding Complete Independence! Is the nation's time to be wasted in endless discussion over questions, that have been thrashed out threadbare at previous sessions of the Congress? Are not important and urgent problems left out in consequence?

Give up Non-Co-operation! At Belgaum, Non-co-operation was suspended; and yet there is going to be a resolution for giving up Non-co-operation! There will be discussion without end, and for whose benefit, please?

Give up Khadi Clause: Another appeal will be to give up the khadi clause! It means this:—"We love khadi, we support it, but we need not wear it."

Responsive Co-operation: This is likely to be brought up for discussion; and God knows, what time may be lost in orations!

What the writer submits is this:—

(1) We are out to mend or end the bureaucratic system. The question of "Independence" does not arise at present. Why raise fresh discussion?

(2) Suspension of Non-co-operation is, for all intents and purposes, temporary abandonment. Why insist on permanent abandonment and raise new and ineffective issues?

(3) If Khaki uniform is necessary for discipline, why quibble about khadi dress?

(4) If Responsive Co-operation means working of Dyarchy, is the experience of ex-Ministers like Lala Harkishan Lal, Mr. Chintamani and Mr. Kelkar to be discounted or despised? If they have found dyarchy unworkable, do my friends, Messrs. Kelkar and Jaykar hope to make it workable?

Is the time of the Congress and of the Nation to be wasted in endless discussion, or is it to be utilized for deciding on some resolute, practical action by the classes and masses of India? India's immediate ailment is starvation and nudity. Swadeshi movement will cure it. Swadeshism, or economic pressure alone will move the blundering and bullying Bureaucracy. Will the Congress take it up whole-heartedly? Let us see.

"WE SHALL SAVE MOSUL"

TURKEY'S FIRM RESOLVE

LEAGUE, "SERVILE TOOL OF BRITAIN."

LONDON, Dec. 18.

Constantinople.—Pending a lead from Angora the comment on the Mosul decision is not enlightening though the League is generally criticised as "a servile tool of Britain."

The "Djumhuriet" remarks: "We shall save Mosul as we have saved Smyrna, Adana and Broussa."

The Council of Commissars held a special meeting under the presidency of Mustapha Kemal, and the only comment thereon is that the President and Premier Ismet Pasha seemed to be goodhumoured while leaving the meeting.—Reuter.

"SATISFACTORY" MOSUL DECISION.

MR. AMERY INTERVIEWED.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

Mr. Amery who was interviewed by Reuter, said although the decision had not given to Britain all she desired, it was a satisfactory one, and had averted various difficulties and ruinous expenditure which the establishment of a new frontier would have entailed. He emphasized that there was never any foundation for the suggestion that all relationship between Britain and Iraq or all responsibility by Britain to the League would terminate in 1928. What was always contemplated was that 1928 should mark the end of the period when Iraq would be enabled to call on Britain to supplement its resources. Mr. Amery noted that the Council, following the opinion of the Court of International Justice, had brushed aside the contention that Mosul was still in some particular sense different from the rest of Iraq, and made it clear that Turkey's renunciation of territory under Article 16 of the Lausanne Treaty became complete and final south of the Brussels line immediately the new Anglo-Iraq Treaty was executed in accordance with the League conditions.—Reuter's Special.

JAFFER PASHA ON COUNCIL'S SAFEGUARDS.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

Paris.—Jafar Askari Pasha, the Iraq representative in London, interviewed by Reuter in a train from Geneva to Paris, declared, as a former Governor of Mosul and as ex-Premier, that the safeguards demanded by the Council for the protection of minorities were actually in operation for some time. He expressed the opinion that at the conclusion of the present Anglo-Iraq treaty in 1928 Iraq would be independent of the British tax-payer.—Reuter's Special.

MR. BALDWIN'S STATEMENT.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

In the House of Commons, to-day, Mr. Baldwin read out the terms of the League's decision with regard to Mosul, and added that information had already been cabled regarding the future relationship between Britain and Iraq, emphasising that the assumption of responsibility for the extended period was merely to ensure our co operation and advice in maintaining stable form of Government.—Reuter.

POTENTIALITIES OF IRAQ.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

The continuance of Britain's mandate in Iraq as a possible contribution to the problem of British unemployment is applauded by the "Daily Graphic" which points out that Iraq was once one of the greatest grain producing regions in the world and may be so again. The paper points out that the Dominions before they became self-governing cost Britain a great deal of money, South Africa cost most, but arguing from the lowest possible grounds the Dominions have been emphatically a good business and the wisest and most prudent investment. It declares that the present two million sterling which Iraq annually costs, the British tax-payer is a very small sum provided there is a reasonable prospect of return. "India has made return; why not Mesopotamia?"—Reuter's Special.

CABLE ITEMS

Luxor, Dec. 18.—Allan Cobham has arrived here from Luxor.—Reuter.

London.—In the Rugby Union, on Thursday, Dublin University beat Cambridge University by 6 points to 5, and Edinburgh University lost to Oxford University by 22 points to 11.—Reuter's Special.

London.—A bottle of imperial burgundy was broken on the bows by Princess Mary while Christening the battleship "Rodney" which was launched of Birkenhead. It carries nine 16-inch guns and cost seven million sterling and with the "Nelson" is the most powerful battleship in the world.—Reuter's Special.

DEBATE ON SYRIA

CONFIDENCE IN GOVT. VOTED.

FRENCH TO HELP DRUSES IN WINNING AUTONOMY.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

Paris.—The Senate passed a vote of confidence in Government after the debate on Syria.

M. Painleve, replying on the debate, declared that instructions had been given to M. de Jouvenel regarding respect for the rights of property of the population. He stated that the Druses would find the French willing to engineer their autonomy. "We shall bring peace to those that desire peace, but shall use force against those who use it." Finally, he promised withdrawal of the troops from each State as adequate police force was organized.—Reuter.

PEACE TALKS.

EMIR TAHER GOES TO SOUEIDA.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

Damascus.—A local vernacular paper reports that Emir Taher has gone to Souveida, the capital of Djebel Druse, to consult Sultan Pasha El Atrash, the Djebel Druse leader, with regard to the conditions of peace. Emir Taher is the grandson of the famous Abdel Kaher, who saved a number of Christians from death in 1860. He became prominent by protecting the Christian quarter in Damascus from Moslems in the recent disorders. Undoubtedly, the atmosphere for peace is developing with peoples' growing confidence in M. De Jouvenel's pacific endeavours. Important developments can be expected shortly. Meanwhile, however, it is reported from Aleppo that the northern frontier is becoming very festive as bands are being formed on the Turkish side.—Reuter.

OPERATIONS IN N. SYRIA.

FRENCH TROOPS LAND AT TRIPOLI.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

Beirut.—Two thousand troops with requisite munitions landed to-day at Tripoli "en route" to Homs, where they will participate in the operations in Northern Syria.—Reuter.

MAY PERSIA REGAIN HER PRISTINE GLORY!

H. H. AGA KHAN'S CONGRATULATION

LONDON, Dec. 17.

H. H. the Aga Khan who has many adherents in Persia has sent a cable to the new Shah from Nice, praying him, on the occasion of his election by will of the nation to the historic throne of the Persian Empire, to accept the most respectful and sincerest congratulations of his followers and himself. H. H. the Aga Khan says: "I pray that under the guidance of your Majesty, the great Persian nation may regain her glorious civilisation of the era of Shah Abbas, and that His Majesty may live in the history no less renowned for justice and humanity than Karim Khan Zand."—Reuter's Special.

U. S. RECOGNISES NEW PERSIAN REGIME.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

Washington.—The publication of a telegram from President Coolidge to the new Shah is interpreted as settling the question of the United States' recognition of the new regime in Persia, and paving the way for Mr. Hoffman Philip, the newly-appointed Minister to Teheran, to proceed thither from Paris.—Reuter.

RAISING STATUS OF SECRETARY FOR SCOTLAND.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

Mr. Baldwin, in the House Commons, promised early legislation to raise the status of the Secretary for Scotland to that of the Secretary of State, and thereby end the old-standing grievance of the Scottish Members of the House of Commons who were dissatisfied with the inferior status of their Secretary which was not merely nominal, but was reflected in the fact that the salary of the Secretary of State is £5,000 contrasted with £2,000 of the Secretary for Scotland. Mr. Baldwin made no mention of salary, but doubtless the new status will bring a substantial advantage on that score.—Reuter's Special.

MESSRS. VICKERS, LD.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

After a rather lively meeting, lasting 2½ hours, the shareholders of Messrs. Vickers, Ltd., adopted by an overwhelming majority the reconstruction proposals mentioned in the message of the 9th instant.—Reuter's Special.

WE HAVE NO IDEA OF NATION.

COMMUNAL FEELING AMONG SOLDIERS.

WANTED NATIONAL SPIRIT BEFORE NATIONAL ARMY.

DISAPPOINTED EX-COMMISSIONED OFFICER'S EVIDENCE.

DELHI, Dec. 18.

The Skeen Committee examined another batch of witnesses to-day. Lieut. Sahibzada Muhamed Khurshed, 1/14th Punjab Regiment, who is serving in one of the units under the process of Indianisation, was first called in. He got his commission through Sandhurst. Questioned by Pundit Motilal witness said he was one of the fourteen Indian cadets at Sandhurst. Of them ten belonged to non-martial races and were not considered very fit. He gathered that Sandhurst officers were not in favour of Indian cadets who did not belong to the fighting races. Witness had in his statement suggested that as India was gradually following in the footsteps of western civilisation Indian cadets must go to England for training.

Pundit Motilal suggested that if we were following western civilisation we should, therefore start western institutions in this country.

Replying to Captain Dafle, witness urged that an Indian Sandhurst must be established, but that boys after getting commission there should be sent to Sandhurst in England for three months and thereafter be attached to a British Regiment for a year.

Asked by Major Zorawar Singh whether he would not reduce this period witness said that six months were taken in individual training and six months in collective training, thus a year's attachment to a British regiment in Enlgand was essential to broaden the outlook.

Captain Dafle, Major Zorawar Singh and Nawab Sir Abul Qayum next examined the witness on his statement that Indian cadets did well if they did not show oriental weakness of thinking too much of themselves.

Lieut. Khurshed explained that this did not apply to a majority of cases.

INDIANS SELF CONSCIOUSNESS.

When told by Nawab Abul Qayum that his phrasology was extraordinary witness explained that some Indian cadets told British cadets that they did not want to clean their leather equipment and some of them even entertained platoons to show that they were very rich. (Laughter.)

General Skeen:—You mean some Indians show self-consciousness?

Witness:—Yes.

Examined by Pundit Motilal, witness said his pay was sufficient for his life in regiment. Indian ranks expected lenient treatment from Indian officer but soon found that there was no difference between him and Britisher in matter of discipline.

Examined by Mr. Ramchandra Rao, witness advocated that composition of Indian Army should follow British Army and every platoon officer should be King's Commissioned officer and Viceroy's Commissions should be abolished.

Sardar Hirasingh pointed out that at present people joined as soldiers thinking they could rise to Viceroy's Commissions. If these were abolished this might affect recruitment. Witness did not agree they could be granted lands and inagris even without commission.

Lieut. Khurshed questioned by Mr. Ramchandra Rao said he was opposed to 8 units Indianisation scheme and further told Mr. Jinnah, that this scheme was very unpopular among Indian officers. His main reason was that this deprived them of advantage of association with British and particularly barred their promotion. For instance, if four Indian officers at a time joined a regiment and when time for promition came only one of them could be promoted in place of vacancy while if four were distributed in other units they could be promoted simultaneously.

Mr. Burdon:—Do you consider the standard of efficiency in the Indian Army at present too high?

Witness:—No.

Question:—You want the same standard to be maintained?

Witness:—I want the same standard.

Question:—For how long will you require the assistance of British officers?

TWO MORE GENERATIONS.

Answer—At least for two more generations.

Pundit Motilal:—Haven't you had enough of them?

Answer:—Not in the Army yet.

Pundit Motilal:—I mean you.

Witness:—Yes, I had.

Mr. Jinnah:—Do Indian ranks show their Indian officers the same respect as the same confidence as British officers?

Witness:—The same.

Mr. Jinnah:—If a crisis arose you will be able to manage it.

Witness:—Yes, I should think so.

Further questioned the witness said he would favour to have Dominion Commission over British troops. He was in favour of automatic Indianisation namely starting the process in all the 150 regiments in India.

Mr. Sethna asked the witness calculated he would require two generations for Indianisation. Did you consider any scheme for the purpose?

Witness:—No I have not thought out any scheme. Indianisation won't be complete until we have our own Commander-in-Chief.

General Skeen asked the witness whether the fact that he entered the army at 21 years of age which was more than of the other boys handicapped him.

Witness replied it did not.

SARDAR MUHAMAD NAWAZ KHAN.

Sardar Muhamed Nawaz Khan, Sardar of Kot Fatech Khan Attock who obtained King's Commission through Sandhurst but resigned on coming out to India to look after his estate was examined next.

Examined by Captain Dafle he advocated the establishment of English public schools in India to get boys for the Army. At present Indians thought themselves first Hindus or Mahomedans or Sikhs and then Indians. Training in England made their outlook broader and made them think themselves Indians first and every thing afterwards. That was why he was against the Indian Sandhurst and for sending boys to England.

Mr. Ramchandra Rao asked whether the witness had not opposed Indian Sandhurst thinking that it was required to train only ten cadets.

Witness said that was so.

Mr. Rao asked:—What if the British Sandhurst refused to take a larger number of Indian boys?

Witness replied that in that case they would have to start an Indian institution.

Replying to Major Zorawarsingh witness insisted that those who would like to go to British Sandhurst should be permitted to go there and those who took a course in the Indian Sandhurst should be sent to England for supplementary training. He hoped, however, British Sandhurst would continue to take Indian boys.

Questioned by Mr. Burdon, witness said he liked the army career but had to give it up because his property could not be managed otherwist. His desire was to become a soldier.

Mr. Burdon:—Did not your training at Sandhurst do your permanent good?

Witness:—It did me great good and I believe Indian boys trained in England would be better material than that trained out in India.

UNIVERSITY COMMISSION.

Major Zorowarsingh pointed out that witness had in his written statement advocated grant of University Commission in India. This University Commission according to the witness was considered better than even the Sandhurst Commission in England. How then did he advocate institution of a University Commission in India and not of Sandhurst?

Witness said he believed in traditions and these were not there at present. He thought time was not yet for starting an Indian Sandhurst. Witness was opposed to 8 unit scheme and urged that if this scheme was not abandoned the pick of British officers should be posted to these units to ensure success of the scheme.

Examined by Mr. Burdon witness advocated that education of boys be started in as early a stage as possible on the English Police Schools lines and further at present a national spirit was wanting in the country.

Mr. Burdon:—Will you wait for national spirit before getting a National Army?

Witness:—Yes that is my view. I may be wrong.

Mr. Burdon:—From your statement I gather you think that lack of proper education is the only thing responsible for the lack of candidates.

Witness:—Yes.

Mr. Jinnah:—Who is responsible for lack of education. Isn't it Government?

Mr. Rao:—Isn't it Government's function to provide education?

Witness:—I am not a legislator. I can't say that. (Laughter).

Mr. Jinnah asked witness whether when he took commission he was not proud of it for it gave him a chance to serve his country.

I DIDN'T THINK I HAD A COUNTRY.

Answer:—I was proud to be a soldier. I didn't think I had a country. (Laughter.)

Mr. Jinnah:—Havn't you got a country?

Witness:—I have. I took sometime to learn it. At present the idea of nationhood is not known to the people.

Mr. Jinnah:—Let us recognise the difficulty are we not to make a beginning?

Witness:—It has been made already.

Question:—Should not we now increase the number?

Answer:—Yes, do it.

Mr. Jinnah:—Do you think the whole of India cannot produce 10 cadets a year for Sandhurst?

Witness:—I don't know about other parts. In the Punjab we have sufficient material, but they all lack of education.

Mr. Jinnah suggested that the lack of cadets is also due to the fact that there was no miliary career for 150 years for Indians.

Witness disagreed. Those who wanted a military career could become sepoys. A general was as much a soldier as a sepoy.

ABSENCE OF NATIONAL SPIRIT.

Pundit Motilal asked why witness suggested that Indians should not be given commissions in technical services. Why this differentiation?

Witness said he believed national spirit was absent. He would however advocate that these technical commissions should also be granted when cadets of proper standard were forthcoming.

Witness, questioned by Captain Harisingh, admitted the services rendered by the Viceroy's commissioned officers but even if this commission was abolished these officers would exist under some other name.

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EVIDENCE IN CAMERA.

DELHI, Dec. 18.

A communique states:—

Re. Indian Sandhurst Committee are, at present, examining as witnesses a number of Indian King's Commissioned Officers and their Commanding Officers. It frequently happens that questions which members find it desirable to put, these witnesses are of a directly personal nature and in such cases it would clearly be unfair to individual witness if his replies were made public. For this reason the Committee have found it necessary to exclude the press and the public from some portions of examination of these officers, while in some cases the officers themselves have requested that their evidence should be recorded in camera.

INDIA AND NAVY

FREE-WILL MEMBERSHIP ESSENTIAL

DEFENCE OF EMPIRE.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

Two conditions before India can pull her weight in the Empire's naval effort are stipulated by the "Daily Chronicle" which in a leader draws attention to the problem of India's naval defence, and points out that India must become rich and her system of Government, internally and externally, must get Indian public opinion in a new and positive sense, behind it. "Only in proportion as we make actual the great and potential resources of the country can further money be spared for defence from development, and only in so far as her membership of the Empire becomes a free-will membership can she be brought to realise that the Empire's naval defence includes her own."—Reuter.

COMMONWEALTH BILL.

COMMONS PASS FIRST READING.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Lansbury formally introduced the Commonwealth of India Bill to constitute within the British Empire a Commonwealth of India.

The first reading of the Bill was formally passed.—Reuter.

S. A. INDIAN DEPUTATION REACHES CALCUTTA.

DR. RAHMAN DECLINES TO MAKE STATEMENT.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 18.

The South African Indian deputation arrived here this morning and was received by Mrs. Sen Guta, Mr. Sen Gupta being unable to come, Messrs. T. C. Goswami, Mr. K. C. Neogy, Kiran Shanker Roy, Motala, S. K. Dutt and Mrs. Santosh Kumari Gupta. There was a small gathering of South African Indian merchants at the station. Dr Abdur Rahman declined to make any statement as he thought that his Bombay interview was quite explicit.

H. E. the Viceroy arrived from Jamshedpur this morning.—A. P.

MISCHIEVOUS AGITATION.

SWAMI SHRADDHANAND'S PROTEST.

CAWNPORE AND PRESIDENT-ELECT.

(From Our Correspondent)

DELHI, Dec. 18.

Swami Sharadanand informs the press:—

"I learnt for the first time from Lala Lajpat Rai's message that Mrs. Sarojini Naidu had spoken some thing about my humble self also with other Hindu leaders and therefore some Hindus of Cawnpore are agitating to dissuade people from giving her a fitting welcome. I strongly deprecate such an agitation which is unworthy of Hindus. As President-elect of the Indian National Congress Mrs. Naidu is entitled to the respect of all Indians in political matters. I therefore protest against my name being used for such an agitation."

BE JUST TO MRS. NAIDU.

MALVIYAJI'S APPEAL TO CAWNPORE MALCONTENTS.

BENARES SHIVALA, Dec. 17.

Pandit Madan Mohun Malaviya has made the following statement:—

"I have been pained to learn from a copy of printed hand bill and two letters sent to me from Cawnpore that an agitation is being carried to dissuade the Hindu public from giving a befitting welcome to Srimati Sarojini Naidu when she goes to Cawnpore to preside over the Congress on the ground that she had made an attack on Lala Lajpat Rai and others who have been working for the Hindu Sangathan. In my opinion Srimati Sarojini Naidu committed a regrettable error of judgment when she made the speech complained of. But, she has explained that she did not mean any offence to any one and the incident should be forgotten. It is certainly not fit to be put in the scale against her splendid devotion to the country's cause and her undoubted deep solicitude for the welfare of our people. I strongly advise that all unkind criticisms on Srimati Sarojini Devi should cease and I trust that the Hindu residents of Cawnpore will heartily join in giving her a welcome such as is due to her as the President-elect of the Congress. To be generous on such occasions is only to be just."—A. P.

CONGRESS SPECIAL TO CAWNPORE.

A special train will leave Victoria Terminus on Tuesday the 22nd instant, between 7 and 9 a.m. Those who wish to reserve their berths should immediately send their names with railway fares to the Secretaries, Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, Congress House, Girgaum, on or before 1 p.m. on Saturday the 19th instant. 1st class Rs. 88-2; 2nd class Rs. 44.1; and 3rd class Rs. 20-8; for single 1st class Rs. 117-8; 2nd class Rs. 58-12; for returned the above rates are from Bombay to Cawnpore and back.

PUTTUKOTTAI DISASTER ENQUIRY.

RY. STAFF EXONERATED FROM BLAME.

MADRAS, Dec. 16.

In connection with the train accident at Puttukottai on the night of 10th December, Mr. Percy Rothera, O.B.E., Agent, South Indian Railway, ordered an enquiry by the heads of the departments of the railway which was conducted at Puttukotai scene of the accident and the finding of the committee has now been issued to the press in the form of a communique. In the opinion of the committee the breach of the line at the spot of the accident was due to abnormal rain at Pattukottai on the night in question of 8.55 inches, a record never reached before since this section of the line was constructed, which points to the fact that it was due to a cloud-burst. The Committee are satisfied that there has been no negligence on the part of the railway staff concerned in the execution of their duty, and are of opinion that the unfortunate mishap was due to the abnormal weather conditions which could not possibly have been foreseen. The total casualties including the railway staff are 8 killed and 21 injured. Of the injured eight were admitted as in-patients, of whom one died, while the rest were treated and sent away.—A. P.

ALLEGED KIDNAPPING & MURDER.

KHOJAS ACQUITTED OF CHARGES.

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 18

An unusual crowd assembled to-day in the court of the Sessions Judge to hear the judgment in the Patri Koli boy murder case in which two Khojas were charged with kidnapping a Koli boy from lawful guardianship and murdering him for sacrificial rites. The Judge agreeing with the verdict of the jury acquitted the accused on all the charges.—A. P.

GANDHIJI'S REMINISCENCES.

BIRTH, AND PARENTAGE & CHILD HOOD.

The following are the second and third instalments of Gandhiji's reminiscences published in "Young India":—

The Gandhis seem to have been originally grocers. But for three generations from my grandfather they have been Prime Ministers in Kathiawar States. Uttamachand Gandhi alias Ota Gandhi must have been a man of principle. State intrigues compelled him to leave Porbunder, where he was Diwan and to seek refuge in Junagadh. He there saluted the Nawab with the left hand. Some one noticing the apparent discourtesy asked for an explanation, which was thus given: "The right hand is already pledged to Porbunder."

Ota Gandhi was married twice, having lost the first wife. He had four sons by the first and two by the second. I do not thing I ever in my childhood felt or knew that these were step-brothers. The fifth of these six brothers was Karamchand Gandhi alias Kaba Gandhi and the sixth was Tulsidas Gandhi. Both these brothers were Prime Ministers in Porbunder one after the other. Kaba Gandhi was my father. He was a member of the Rajasthanic Court (now extinct, but in those days a very influential body for settling disputes between the chiefs and their cousins). He was for sometime Prime Minister in Rajkot and then in Vankaner and was a pensioner of the Rajkot State when he died.

Kaba Gandhi had four wives one after another. He had two daughters by the first two. The last Putlibai bore him a daughter and three sons. I being the youngest.

'MY FATHER.'

My father was a lover of his clan, truthful, brave, and generous but short tempered. To a certain extent he may have been even given to carnal pleasures. For he married the fourth time when he was on the wrong side of forty. But he was incorruptible and had earned a name for strict impartiality in my family as well as outside. His loyalty to the State was well known. An Assistant Political Agent spoke insultingly of the Rajkot Thakore Saheb, his chief and he stood up against the insult. The Agent was angry and asked Kaba Gandhi to apologise, This he refused to do and was therefore kept under detention for a few hours. But when the Saheb saw that Kaba Gandhi was adamant he ordered him to be released.

My father never had the ambition to accumulate riches and left us very little property.

He had no education, save that of experience. At best he may be said to have read upto the Vth Vernacular standard. Of history or Geography he was innocent. But his rich experience of practical affairs stood him in good stead in the solution of the most intricate questions and in managing hundreds of men. Of religious training he had very little, but he had the religious culture, that frequent visits to temples and listening to religious discourses make available to many a Hindu. In his last days he began reading Gita at the instance of a learned Brahmin friend of the family, and he used to repeat aloud some verses every day at the time of daily worship.

A SAINTLY MOTHER.

The outstanding impression my mother has left on my memory is of her saintliness. She was deeply religious. She would not think of eating her food without her daily prayers. Going to 'Haveli'—the Vaishnava temple—was one of her daily duties. As far as my memory can go back, I do not remember her having ever missed the 'Chaturmas'. She would take the hardest vows and keep them without flinching. Illness was no excuse for relaxing them. I recall her once falling ill when she was observing 'Chandrayana' vow, but the illness was not allowed to interrupt the observance. Living on one meal a day during 'Chaturmas' was a habit with her. Not content with that she fasted every alternate day during one 'Chaturmas'. To keep two or three consecutive fasts was nothing to her. During one 'Chaturmas' she had vowed not to have food without seeing the Sun. We children would in those days be standing staring at the sky, waiting to announce the appearance of the Sun to our mother. Every one knows that during the thick of the rainy season the Sun often does not condescend to put in his appearance. And I remember days when at the sudden appearance of the Sun we would hurriedly announce it to her and she would be rushing for a look at him, when the fugitive Sun would be gone having deprived our mother of her meal. That does not matter' she would cheerfully say, 'God did not want me to eat to-day', and resume her round of duties.

She had strong common sense. She was in the know about all matters of State, and ladies of the Court thought highly of her intelligence. Often I would accompany her, exercising the privilege of childhood, and I still remember many a lively discourse she had with the widowed mother of the Thakore Saheb.

MEMORIES OF SCHOOL.

Of these parents I was born at Porbunder or Sudamapuri on the 2nd October 1869. I passed my childhood in Porbunder. I recollect having been put to some school. It was with some difficulty that I mugged up the multiplication tables. The fact that I recollect nothing more of those days than of having learnt in company of other boys to abuse our teacher, would suggest a strong inference that my intellect must have been sluggish, and my memory as raw as the raw cake which figured in the couplet about the poor teacher.

CHILDHOOD.

I must have been about seven when my father left Porbandar for Rajkot to be a member of the Rajasthanic Court. There I was put to a primary school, and I can well recollect my days there including the names and other particulars of teachers who taught me. As in Porbandar so here there is hardly anything to note about my studies. I could only have been a mediocre student. From this school I went to the suburban school and thence to the High School, having already reached my twelfth year by now. I do not remember having ever, during this short career, lied either to my teachers or to my schoolmates. I used to be very shy and avoided all company. My books and my lessons were my sole companions. To be at school at the stroke of the hour and to run back home as soon as the school closed—that was the daily habit. I would literally run back, as I scarcely liked to talk with anyone. I was even afraid lest anyone should poke fun at me.

There is an incident which occurred at examination time in my first year at the High School, which is worth recording. Mr. Giles, the then Educational Inspector, had come on a visit of inspection. He had set us five words to write, as a spelling exercise. One of the words was 'kettle.' I had mis-spelt it. The teacher tried to prompt me with the point of his boot but I would not be prompted. It was beyond me to see that the teacher wanted me to copy the spelling from the neighbour's slate. For I had thought that the teacher was there to supervise us against copying. The result was that all the boys, except myself, were found to have spelt all the words correctly. Only I had been stupid. The teacher tried later to bring the stupidity home to me, but without effect. I never could learn the art of 'copying.'

And yet the incident did not in the least diminish my respect for the teacher. For I was by nature blind to the faults of elders. I later came to know of many another failing of this teacher's, but my regard for him remained the same. For I had learnt to carry out the elder's orders, not to scan their actions.

Two other incidents of the same period have always clung to my memory. As a rule I disliked to do any reading beyond my school books. The daily lessons had to be done, because I disliked alike being taken to task by the teacher as deceiving him. I, therefore, would do the lessons, but often without my mind in them. Thus when even the lessons could not be done properly there was, of course, no question of any extra reading. But somehow my eyes fell on a book purchased by my father. It was "Shravana Pitribhakti Nataka" (a play about Shrawana's devotion to his parents.) I read it with intense interest. There came to our place about the same time itinerant show-men. One of the pictures I was shown was of Shravana carrying by means of a yoke, his blind parents on a pilgrimage. The book and the picture left an indelible impression on my mind. 'Here is an example for you to copy' I said to myself. The agonised lament of the parents over Shravana's death is still fresh in my memory. The melting tune moved me deeply and I played it on a concertina my father had purchased for me.

There was similar incident connected with another play. I had, about this very time, secured my father's permission to see a play performed by a certain dramatic company. This play, Harischandra—captured my heart. I would not be tired of seeing it. But how often would I be permitted to go? It haunted me and I must have acted "Harischandra" to myself times without number. 'Why should not all be truthful like Harischandra?' was the question I asked myself day and night. To follow truth and to go through all the ordeals Harischandra went through was the thing I learnt. I literally believed in the story of Harischandra. The thought of it all has often made me weep. My common sense tells me to-day that Harischandra could not have been a historical character. But for me both, Harischandra and Shravana are living realities and I am sure I would be touched as before if I were to re-read those plays to-day.

"MISCHIEVOUS PROPAGANDA."

Mr. Qamar Ahmad writes from the Central Khilafat Committee Office, Bombay:—

"A mischievous propaganda has emanated from Ferangi Mahal, Lucknow, to the effect that Maulana Shaukat Ali has become a member of Mr. Qidwai's Association, Khuddam-ul-Hurmain. Maulana Shaukat Ali has been touring in Behar and organising Khilafat Committees. Well-wishers of Khilafat and Islam should rest assured that Maulana Shaukat Ali has nothing to do with this Association, and wishes to contradict such baseless rumours."

MEMORIAL TO A RETIRING PRINCIPAL.

At a meeting of the Elphinstonians, past and present, held on Thursday under the presidency of Sir Chimanlal Setalwad, a Committee consisting of prominent Elphinstonians including Sir Chimanlal Setalvad, Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas, Sir Dinshaw Wacha, the Hon. Mr. Justice Coyajee and Mr. M. B. Jayakar was formed to concert measures for raising a fitting memorial to Professor A. Low Governien, Principal of Elphinstone College, Bombay. Among the speakers were Sir Dinshaw Wacha, Mr. B. J. Desai, Mr. D. G. Dalvi, Dewan Bahadur G. S. Rao and Mr. H. R. Bhabha.

ALL OVER A HAT.

ENGLISH WOMAN BOUND OVER.

"She promised to lend me a hat and I gave me a dread for looking little hat you see, I had a red dress prepared for me and I could not be seen in the Gymkhana with a hat like that. I went to Madame Zena Maravek's and chose a hat from her cupboard. I was trying the hat when she tried to tear it like this. "Oh my God, oh my God, it is not my hat, it's not my hat, she began screaming and went into hysterics. She flung on the floor and I ran away with the hat" was the statement of Miss Georgena Mary Francis who stood charged with the theft of a hat at the instance of Madame Zena Maravek, a European modiste of Colaba.

Madame Zena Maravek in her statement said that two months back Miss Francis had given some hats to be repaired. The hats were not ready as she and her assistants were ill. Miss Francis came to her place on Wednesday and asked for the hat. She told her again that the hat was not ready when she opened the cupboard took out a hat. When she told Miss Francis that the hat was not hers. She knocked the complainant down and sat on her. Then she ran away with the hat.

The Magistrate after the accused had tendered her statement, told her that she had technically committed the offence and as such he ordered her to be bound over in a sum of Rs. 20 for a month. "You ought not to have done," added the Magistrate, "you can't run away with the property of others without their permission."

A LODGER IN TROUBLE.

Sadashiv Govind Savoaare, a tea shop-keeper at Mint Road reports to the police the theft of currency notes and gold and silver ornaments valued at Rs. 1800. He locked his room on Wednesday night and went out. On his return he found the room open and Sakharam Bala, his boarder, seated in the room. Later on he discovered his trunk lying open and two of the small tins containing the currency notes missing. The boarder had a duplicate key but the lock is missing. The police have arrested the lodger who had admitted that the room was open when he returned.

Sakharam Bala was put up before Mr. H. P. H. Dastur, Third Presidency Magistrate and remanded into the police custody till the 26th instant.

SUB-JUDGE SUED FOR DAMAGES.

A KUMTA CASE.

(From a Correspondent.)

In the Court of the Subordinate Judge of Kumta, a suit for damages has been filed by Mr. Pandurang Shrinivas Sanbhag against Mr. J. H. Chinmulgund, Subordinate Judge of Kumta, and three others. It is alleged by the complainant that on the forenoon of 7th November last the Subordinate Judge came to the house of the complainant taking with him a boy of Chamb caste and asked the complainant as to who beat the boy. Upon the complainant replying that he did not know anything at all, and the boy saying that it was the complainant who beat him, the Subordinate Judge is said to have all atonce given three slaps on the cheeks of the complainant, caught him by the neck and dragged him out of the gate of his house. He is also alleged to have asked defendant No. 4, a victoria driver, who was with him, and defendants 2 and 3, to drag the complainant) to the Taluk office. Then, in spite of the complainant's assurance to go with them and in spite of his solicitation not to drag him as his legs were aching, the latter persons without listening, and acting up to the direction of Subordinate Judge are alleged to have caught hold of the complainant and forcibly dragged him up to the road, without allowing him time to put on clothes, and from that place through the open Bazaar up to the Taluka office. Rs. are claimed by the complainant as damages.

DISTINGUISHED ARRIVALS BY MAIL

SIR JOHN SIMON IN BOMBAY.

On Friday at 5 a.m. the P. and O. s.s. "Rawalpindi" arrived at the Mole with a large complement of passengers both Indians and Europeans. Among the notable arrivals were Sir Edwin L. Lutyens, Mr. S. Northcote, Sir Dhunjibhoy Bomanji and Lady Bomanji, Sir Malcolm Hogg, H. H. the Rajkumar Saheb of Vizianagram and Rt. Hon. Sir John Simon, P. C. the eminent counsel of England and Lady Simon.

To a representative of the "Bombay Chronicle" who was the first to greet him on board the ship, Sir John Simon said he and Lady Simon had a very pleasant voyage and they felt very happy to be in India for a few days to see their old friends. Asked if he had any object in coming to India, Sir John Simon replied that he had none whatever, except to spend a short holiday among old friends in India. Sir John Simon and Lady Simon then drove to the Government House where they are guests of H. E. the Governor and Lady Wilson. H. H. the Jam of Navanagar who was also among the passengers was received by his friends and subjects in Bombay and was profusely garlanded.

VISWA BHARAT LAKSHMI EXHIBITION.

The Secretary, Viswa Bharat Luxmi Exhibition Board writes to say that Messrs Fazal Ibrahim Rahimtoollah, Hoosein A. Laljee, Jivraj G. Nensey, M. P. Bisni, Poonsey H. Meisheri, and Kanji Karamsi Master have resigned from the Advisory Board of the Viswa Bharat Luxmi Exhibition.

RECKLESS MOTOR DRIVING.

SGT. SHEPPARD'S FRIEND CHARGED.

At the Mazagaon Police Court, Inspector Naydon charged one Babupunjan Amupunjari before Mr. G. R. Khairaz, the Second Presidency Magistrate, with rash and negligent driving. In spite of the remonstrations of some of the people, the accused drove the car in a zig-zag manner, thereby causing the death of one Dhuki and serious injuries to a Sub-Inspector of Police and to one Gaffoor.

Gajanan Balvant Desai, a cleaner in the employ of Khemraj, related how on the 15th instant the accused and himself spent a galla night in company of Sergeant Sheppard, visited houses of ill fame and how under the influence of liquor, accused was driving in a zig-zag manner and at Horaby Vellard knocked down Dhuki, a Bhaya sycc, who was going on the proper side of the road. The accused did not stop and a little further dashed into Gafoor, who was driving an ice hand cart. At a little distance from this, the accused dashed into a cyclist who happened to be Sub-Inspector Hakim. The Sub-Inspector asked the driver to stop but the accused took no notice and drove on. The Sub-Inspector gave chase in another car which came from Mahim and arrested the accused near Pilla House and took him to the Agripada Police Station.

The accused at this stage was sent to the Girgaum Police Court where the owner of the car lodged a complaint of theft against the accused before Mr. Khandalawalla who sentenced him to 4 months' rigorous imprisonment.

The case was then postponed.

CIVIL COURT AT ANDHERI.

FULL TIME JUDGE TO PRESIDE.

(From Our Correspondent)

BANDRA, Dec. 18.

Owing to, what has now been proved to be, a mere canard that the Civil Court recently established at Bandra was to be abolished a representation of an influential character was almost on the eve of being addressed to Government praying that they should desist from taking any such uncalled for step, as the Court, in spite of its only bi-Weekly sittings and other drawbacks, was, undoubtedly, doing very useful work.

Yesterday, therefore, there was great jubilation, specially among pleaders practising as a rule in the Andheri and Bandra Courts, when it became known, that the District Court of Thana had received an Order from the Home Department of the Secretariat notifying the decision of Government to have from 6th January, 1926, a full-time Civil Court at Andheri in place of the one at Bandra presided over by a full-time second-class sub-Judge and the Court to be equipped with all the requisite machinery to render it entirely independent of Thana, for as things now stand cases are only heard in the Civil Court at Bandra while all the preliminary work such as the filing of suits, the paying of fees, etc., having to be done at Thana. It need be scarcely mentioned that the pleaders of Thana and Kalyan never did look with any kindly disposition towards the Civil Court at Bandra and it will be remembered how strenuously they strive to prevent its establishment, so much so that on the occasion of the last visit of the Chief Justice, the Hon. Mr. MacLeod, to Thana, the local Vakils both unfledged and full-fledged presented him with an address of welcome, in which they implored His Lordship to renounce the idea of having any Civil Court at Bandra, but the Chief Justice replied that after mature deliberation it had been decided that there should be a Civil Court at Bandra a decision which by no manner of reason could be revoked.

GHAT KOPAR GANG CASE.

THE END IN SIGHT AT LAST.

(From our Correspondent.)

BANDRA, Dec. 17.

This case has been pending for so long a period that since its commencement many a black beard has grown grey. However, the end seems now to be in sight, but any way it is not likely to come till after the Christmas vacation. After some 300 witnesses were heard the police officers and constables connected with the case were examined. The evidence of Inspector Ring, whose adventurous capture of Chacha Jungi Khan, the alleged Pathan leader of the gang, in Bhungi Gully, Golpitha (Round Tavern) Bombay, was full of lively interest. Of late "Uncle" was unwell for some days and during his illness he was only brought in Court when his face had to be exhibited for the formal purpose of identification.

MISTAKEN CASE OF INFANTICIDE.

MYSTERY CLEARED.

(From Our Correspondent)

BANDRA, Dec. 18.

The other day information reached the Bandra Police Station that a bad case of infanticide had been unearthed by a dog. The matter was immediately investigated by Mr. Patankar, the Sub-Inspector, and it was then ascertained that an inquisitive dog having scented a human corpse buried in a field at Khari in Bandra, exhumed the same with its paws. Further enquiry revealed that the child, just a little before its burial had been given birth to by a Hindu woman of the Malvani caste and that she with her husband were new arrivals in Bandra, that there was nothing criminal in connexion with the parentage or the delivery and that the child having died a natural death it was innocently buried in the field the parents having believed there was nothing wrong in doing so.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

MR. POTHAN JOSEPH'S MANIFESTO.

Mr. Pothan Joseph, Joint Editor, "The Bombay Chronicle," who is a candidate for the F. Wards elections to the Bombay Municipal Corporation, has issued the following manifesto to the voters of the Ward:—

Fellow Citizen,

You may be aware that I am a candidate for the F Ward elections to the Bombay Municipal Corporation next January. I have been selected by the Bombay Municipal Congress Nationalist Party to seek your support and I beg to claim your votes on polling day.

Though I value the nomination of the party as the first claim to your suffrages. I may mention to you why I have decided to face the turmoil of an election.

Hailing as I do from the South, my connection with Bombay dates back to 1912, a period that enables me to claim Bombay as my home. I was apprenticed to law and journalism, and when Mr. B. G. Horniman was deported I was serving as an assistant editor of the "Bombay Chronicle." I was next connected in a principal capacity with one of the foremost journals in Bengal where I had exceptional opportunities of studying the practice of local self-government and of attentively following the evolution of the Calcutta Municipal Act. In responsible functions I have thus had the privilege of working in Bombay and in Calcutta as a wide-awake journalist. The sojourn in Calcutta was meant as part of my final educational equipment for public service now I am back home, serving as joint-editor of the "Bombay Chronicle."

I have critically followed the municipal interests of Bombay and I am convinced of the need of a vigilant popular party to promote the amenities of the neglected areas, and I have been serving you unobtrusively, through the press. F Ward, is in comparison with A Ward, an orphaned area, and it is my intention, if elected by you, to advance your cause, and equalise municipal amenities. Let us stand together.

The next few years are going to be the most eventful in India, and it is your duty to choose the best men—the men who have the opportunities of study, disposition to work and loyalty to the electorate. Authorise me, and I shall not disappoint you.

Municipal votes are not an affair amiable bargain but a trust to be administered when you have the full list of candidates in your hands. Premature Importunacy does not constitute any prior claim, because you have to exercise your judgment only when you finally have before you the merits of all individuals. It is your duty to hold yourselves free until the last moment and that is why I have not plagued you with my suit against the credentials of other candidates. You must judge. There are many candidates, and there is going to be a stiff campaign. Your duty is to vote Nationalist and support the best man.

Vote solidly for me in January and you may rest assured of the diligent services of a man who wants to apply his knowledge to practice and to champion the cause of robust municipal self-government—with efficiency for the people, favour to none and opportunities for all.

Hail and Greeting! Let us—you and I—meet as comrades at the polling booth.

POTHAN JOSEPH.

INDIAN NEWS IN BRIEF.

A Jamshedpore correspondent writes:—Small-pox is continuing in Jamshedpore. In spite of 12 cases discharged within the last few days from the Isolation Hospitals the number of patients there on the 15th was 22. Some more cases are reported. The disease has affected all classes. There has been a case of small-pox in a European family in the Northern town.

A correspondent wires from Aligarh:—The Lahore Government College Muslim students are presenting a jubilee purse of Rs. 350 to the Muslim University, Aligarh.

During the 50th week of 1925, the week-ending 12th instant, the total mortality 510 was 13 more than in the preceding week; the death-rate registered was 21.05. These figures compare favourably with those for the 50th week of 1924 when the mortality was 688 and death-rate 28.85 and with those for the corresponding weeks during the preceding quinquennium 1920-1924 when the average mortality was 744 and death-rate 23.26.

Major Graham Pole, speaking at a public meeting in Madras, under the chairmanship of Dr. Annie Besant repudiated the charge that the Labour Party while in power were indifferent to India.

U. P. COUNCIL

LUCKNOW, Dec. 17.

At to-day's meeting of the United Provinces Council three non-official resolutions were adopted by the House in spite of the official opposition. One resolution recommended to Government to remove all restrictions based on caste with respect to admission of people to public services. The mover of the resolution and his supporters laid great stress on certain paragraphs of the Police Manual which, contained certain restrictions with regard to the enrolment to the Police Force. It was pointed out on behalf of Government, that these restrictions were based on practical experiences and not on prejudices. The members of criminal tribes and wandering gangs were not enlisted as policemen because they were habitual law-breakers.

In another resolution, the Council recommended to Government that the practice of arresting and detaining defaulting zemindars or their agents for non-payment of Government revenue should be stopped. The Council meets again to-morrow.—A. P.

GOVERNOR IN KARACHI.

REPLY TO HINDU ASSOCIATION.

His Excellency the Governor in the course of his reply to the address of the Sind Hindu Association on December 17, referred first of all to the charge of according preferential treatment to the Mahomedan community in the matter of public appointments. In this connection he mentioned the representation bade by the Association in a letter from their most prominent representative on the Legislative Council dated the 30th of August last. In reply, the member had been informed that the policy of Government in making the appointments to which they had referred was to do justice to the great majority of the population of Sind, namely, the Mahomedan community, by increasing their very inadequate representation in the public services. "This I would remind you" said the Governor "is no new policy on the part of Government, for so far back as 1861 it was definitely laid down that there should be a due admixture of castes, or as we should now say of communities, in all the offices of Government, and these orders referred not only to Sind, but to the whole of the Presidency. The intention of these orders could only have been that preference should be shown to those classes that were insufficiently represented, as that is the only in which effect could could have given to them. The rules made in 1882, which you have quoted in your address, included a clause providing for the promotion of experienced servants of Government of approved merit and ability, who were unable to pass the prescribed examination, and the rules also allowed Deputy Collectors to be appointed from among the Muktiarkars promoted under this clause.

"The letter of the 4th of November to which you refer in your address was not sent in reply to your Association's representation on the subject of appointments; it was sent, however in connection with your complaint, in order to bring to the notice of your Association the comments to which the course followed by your representatives on the Legislative Council had exposed your community. In that letter no charge of any kind was levelled against the Hindus of the Province, but the facts were clearly stated in order that you might have an opportunity of putting forward any remarks on the facts which you desired to offer. These remarks are now before me in your address, and you observe that you cannot exact a vow from your representatives to vote according to your wishes against their deep-seated convictions. With this statement I entirely agree, but you are not prevented from indicating to your representatives on the Council what you desire that their attitude should be, and, as pointed out in the letter to which you refer, you are given an opportunity once in three years of selecting representatives whose convictions will permit them to vote in the manner you desire. I would only repeat here what was stated in the letter of the 4th of November, that it must not be understood that Government in making appointments or promotions has been actuated by any considerations with respect to the action taken in the Legislative Council by your representatives. It is not for me to influence you in any way in the selection of your representatives on the Legislative Council, nor to influence in any way the manner in which they choose to vote. This is a matter entirely between you and your representatives, with which neither I nor my Government have any desire or right to interfere.

"As for the principle of representation on District and Taluka Local Boards which has been adopted by us it may be stated, in the language used by Mill:—"As the principal duty of local Boards consists in the expenditure of local taxation, the electoral franchise should vest in all who contribute to the local rates to the exclusion of all who do not."

GOVERNOR LEAVES KARACHI.

KARACHI, Dec. 18.

H. E. Sir Leslie and Lady Wilson left Karachi last night for Sukkur after another busy day.

His Excellency visited the new airship station where the position of the mooring mast and the airship shed was pointed out. His Excellency received and replied to the addresses from the Sind Mahomedan Association and the Sind Hindu Association and granted interviews to several prominent local personages.

BRITISH LABOUR LEADERS IN BOMBAY.

WELCOME TO MESSRS JOHNSTONE AND SIME.

A hearty welcome was accorded to Mr. Tom Johnston, M.P., and Mr. J. Sime, Secretary, Jute Workers' Association, Dundee, by the workers of Bombay on Friday night at Kamathipura. The meeting was convened under the auspices of the All India Trades Union Congress and was largely attended by the working class population of the City. The place where the meeting was held was one of the thorough parts of the locality. It was beflagged and profusely lighted with electric lamps for the occasion. A full report of the meeting will appear to-morrow.

OFFICIAL AND PERSONAL.

Patna.—His Excellency the Governor has appointed Hon. Mr. S. Sinha, a member of his Executive Council, to be Vice-President.

Mr. Satyamurthi, M.L.C., has obtained the sanction of the Governor to introduce his bill to repeal the Madras Hindu Religious Endowments Act.—A. P.

The Right Hon. Sir John and Lady Simon, Lt. Colonel and Mrs. Sofer Withburn and Dr. A. T. Carter arrived at Government House, Bombay, on Friday.

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(Before the Hon'ble Justice Sir Lallubhai Shah.)

Ismailjee Abdulally ..... Petitioner.

Versus

(1) Sirdar Syedna Taher Saifuddin, the Mullaji Saheb

(2) Mahomedally Allabux ... Respondents.

This was a petition under the Habeas Corpus Jurisdiction of the High Court for an order against the respondents or one or either of them to produce the three minor daughters of the petitioner in Court to be dealt with thereafter according to law.

The facts of the case and arguments of Counsel have already been published in great detail. In his judgment His Lordship dealt with the question of law first and then with the merits of the application and in the course of such judgment observed as follows :—

The Jurisdiction under Section 491 of the Criminal Procedure Code was in the nature of Habeas Corpus Jurisdiction and its procedure was regulated by the rules of the High Court on the Crown Side. The jurisdiction to issue writs of Habeas Corpus was always a Crown Side matter in England and so it was here. In the absence of any rule to the contrary, His Lordship saw no objection to a party seeking in the same petition directions under Section 491 or under the Habeas Corpus Jurisdiction of the High Court.

In dealing with the objection that the Common Law Jurisdiction of the High Court to issue writs of Habeas Corpus was by necessary implication repealed by Section 491 and 491 (A) of the Criminal Procedure Code, His Lordship observed that it was necessary to state first what the jurisdiction of the High Court was apart from the Sections. It was clear from the Letters Patent of 1823 and Section 9 of the High Courts Act, (24 and 25 Vic. Chapter 104) and from Section 106, Sub-Section 1 of the Government of India Act of 1915 that the High Court had such jurisdiction and authority as the Justices of the King's Bench in England had. The proposition that the Common Law powers of the Court of King's Bench in England were vested in the Bengal High Court (whose powers were the same as those of the Bombay High Court) was approved of by their Lordships of the Privy Council in the case of Surrendra Nath Banerjee vs. The Chief Justice and Judges of the High Court, reported in 10 Indian Appeals 171. His Lordship was unable to accept the contention of Counsel that all these powers were by necessary implication repealed and limited to those mentioned in Section 491 of the Criminal Procedure Code. From the wording of the Section there was no indication of any repeal of the Common Law powers of the High Court. In dealing with powers of such importance he would expect the Legislature to use explicit and precise language if they intended to repeal such powers, but there was no such legislation and therefore this High Court, at present, possessed all the Common Law powers of the Court of King's Bench in England.

QUESTION OF JURISDICTION.

His Lordship then dealt with the question of jurisdiction to issue writs of Habeas Corpus in respect of minors who were outside its jurisdiction, against a person who had illegally detained them and who was within its jurisdiction. His Lordship after carefully considering the arguments of Counsel, was satisfied that the High Court in England could, and would have issued a writ of 'habeas corpus' in such a case and therefore the High Court could if facts and circumstances so required, issue such a writ. His Lordship held that as the person who had the custody and control of the minors was within the jurisdiction of this Court, the application was competent and that he had jurisdiction to issue the writ, although the minors might be in a foreign State.

His Lordship then dealt with the merits of the case. He did not feel any difficulty in that respect. The legal right of the custody of the minors was in the father although he might have parted with the minors temporarily by giving them in the care of another. Therefore, when he demanded the custody of his children back, he was entitled to have it and if, in spite of this the minors were detained, such detention would be illegal. His Lordship was further satisfied from the materials placed before him that it was for the welfare of the minors that they should live with their father under such condition as he could afford. There was nothing against the father except that he was a poor man. That was hardly a ground for depriving him of his rights over his own children or for removing them from his affectionate care. It was true that His Lordship had not been able to consult the wishes of the minors as yet, as they were not before him but when they were produced before him he might, if the circumstances demanded, consult their wishes and he would be guided in this respect by the provision contained in Section 17 of the Guardian and Wards Act.

His Lordship desired to add a few words with regard to the affidavit of the second respondent's son who stated that the minors refused to leave Gadhakada. His Lordship was unable to attach any importance to such an affidavit. It was 'prima facie' incredible and at its best it indicated nothing beyond a luke-warm attempt to bring the girls here after the rule was issued. He could not understand how an experienced gentleman of the position of the second respondent, who was a Justice of the Peace and a member of the Municipal Corporation of Bombay, could allow himself to be deluded so readily with the belief that he could not get the girls here at any rate he could not expect the Court to believe that the girls were unwilling to come here even though he was really minded to bring them. He sent the girls away on his own responsibility and they were under his control and it was his duty to enforce that control and to surrender the custody, if by law he was required to do so. His Lordship accordingly ordered the second respondent to produce the minors who were under his custody and control, as such custody was illegal and improper. The second respondent was allowed time until 18th January, 1926, to produce the minors in Court.

As regards the first respondent His Lordship held that he had no legal control or custody over the children at any time. He might be under a moral obligation to intercede on behalf of the petitioner for getting the minors back, but this Lordship did not think any writ could be issued against him. His Lordship, therefore, discharged the rule as against the first respondent but made it absolute against the second respondent.

The first respondent was ordered to bear his own costs. The second respondent was ordered to pay the costs of the petitioner from the time that he was made a party.

Sir Chimanlal Setalvad instructed by Messrs. Dabholkar and Jashtaram appeared for the petitioner. The Advocate-General instructed by Messrs. Little and Co., appeared for the first respondent; and Mr. B. J. Desai with Mr. Munsif instructed by Messrs. Jehangir Mehta and Somji appeared for the second respondent.

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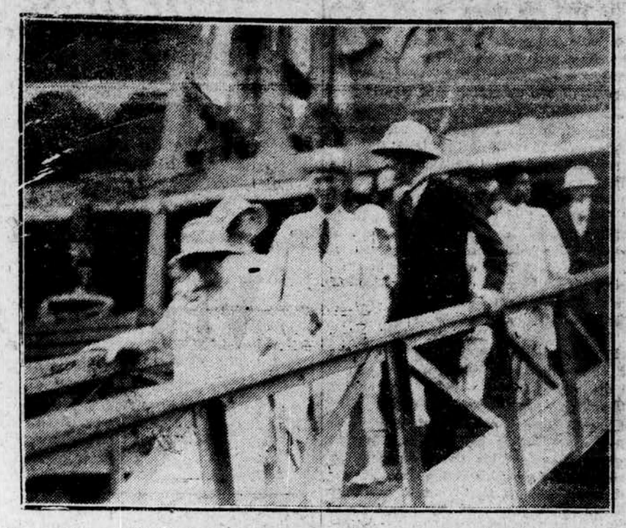

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Rt. Hon. Sir John and Lady Simon (in white) were among the distinguished arrivals in Bombay on Friday by the English mail steamer. Sir John was Home Secretary of the Liberal Cabinet in the early days of the War and resigned on the issue of conscription. He was the counsel who defended the accused in the Bawla case appeal before the Privy Council. He and Lady Simon are on an unofficial visit to India.

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A meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay was held on Tuesday last, when an application from Mr. F. C. Annesley for leave of absence from the meetings of the Board for a period of four months was sanctioned and the Bombay Chamber of Commerce were requested to elect a trustee to act in the vacancy. The election of Mr. Mathuradas Vissonji Khimji by the Indian Merchants' Chamber as an acting Trustee vice Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas, was recorded. Mr. Mathuradas was appointed a member of the Land and Railway Committee and Mr. Lalji Naranji a member of the Finance and General Committee.

The report of the Finance and Railway Committees on the Retrenchment Investigation of the Railway Department was considered and approved. The papers dealt with by the Committee comprised the Report of the Retrenchment Officer, Mr. H. N. Heseltine, C.I.E., on his Expenditure Investigation; a Report by the Special Officer appointed by Government, Mr. C. W. Lloyd Jones, C.I.E., Agent, the Nizam's Guaranteed State Railway, on Terminal charges on the Port Trust Railway with suggestions in regard to the standard of maintenance and efficiency in working which would conduce towards economy; and detailed proposals by the Acting Railway Manager and the Deputy Chairman on the retrenchments to be effected. In the course of his remarks to the Committee the Chairman said that the Retrenchment Officer's recommendations had in the main been accepted and detailed proposals for staff retrenchments had been made in all branches of the Railway Department. He observed that credit should be given to the Railway for economies effected during the two years prior to the investigation. In spite of a slight increase in traffic the expenditure for 1924-25 was Rs. 5½ lakhs lower than in 1922-23; staff expenditure was less by 1.1/3 lakhs than the previous year and 1½ lakhs below the budget estimate. Repairs and maintenance had come down by over four lakhs in two years and a saving of about 35 per cent had been effected in coal consumption. The reductions on the Schedule of Staff now proposed amounted to 270 appointments, or about 35 per cent of the entire Schedule, excluding Permanent Way gangs, in which savings amounting to over Rs. 50,000 per annum had already been made. The total reduction in establishment costs, inclusive of leave, Provident Fund and gratuity would be equivalent to about Rs. 4½ lakhs per annum. Proposals had also been made for reducing the grades of the supervising staff in the case of future incumbents.

TOO EXTRAVAGANT.

Sir Ernest Jackson then read a note in the course of which he said:

The whole trend of Mr. Heseltine's report was that the railway *was run on far too extravagant lines* and I cannot find that he ever questioned the efficiency of the Railway.

Whatever opinion the Railway Manager may have to the contrary, the very fact that it is now admitted that 769 appointments can be reduced to 499 appointments and the annual cost of this staff from Rs. 8½ lakhs to Rs. 5½ lakhs (not taking to account reduction in Engineering establishment for the Railway) surely signifies that Mr. Heseltine was right and that the Railway Department, since its inception, has been built up in a most extravagant manner.

Mr. McLean said he agreed with Sir Ernest Jackson's views and would be prepared to accept the present recommendations as detailed in the Deputy Chairman's note, with the reservation that the strength of the supervising staff should be open to reconsideration by the Trustees at any time they may deem it necessary or desirable to reopen the question. Remarking generally on the ground covered by the Retrenchment Investigation, he quoted the following extract from a letter on the subject written by him to the Chairman prior to the Investigation:—

"My experience suggests that the mere fact of having 'prima facie' extravagance brought to light has an extraordinarily good effect on making Heads of Departments overhaul their operations and leads them to economies which they themselves discover in the process of offering explanations."

He said he considered that this effect had been amply realised in the case of the present investigation.

Mr. Lalji Naranji submitted a note expressing his opinion on the recommendations.

Mr. Fazal Ibrahim Rahimtulla, referring to the proposal to abolish the Probationer's appointment on expiry of his agreement, pointed out that the agreement was for 3 years only and would expire on the 16th March 1926. He observed that the engagement of an Indian Probationer for the Railway was in pursuance of the policy approved by the Trustees three years previously for Indianisation of the staff. He therefore considered that as a matter of principle the Indian Probationer, Mr. Patrick Nadir, should be retained and if necessary one of the Assistant Managers should be retrenched instead.

In reply the Chairman said that this suggestion was not feasible as the Probationer had not the necessary experience to replace one of the Assistant Managers nor could his claims be preferred to theirs. As in the case of apprentices taken on in the Workshops, no guarantee of permanent employment is given to probationers at the time of their appointment on agreement. Mr. McLean suggested that provided the Railway Manager considers that Mr. Patrick Nadir's work had been satisfactory during his probationery training, and is prepared to give him a good recommendation, he could apply to the Railway Board for an appointment on one of the State Railways. His 3 years' experience on the Port Trust Railway would be a useful recommendation and his prospects would be better on one of the large Railways. This proposal was agreed to.

The Committee finally decided to recommend that the proposals regarding the Railway Manager's office staff and the Line and Station staff, as detailed in the Deputy Chairman's note and the relative proposition statements, should be approved and that the recommendations regarding the Controlling staff should also be sanctioned, subject to the reservation proposed by Mr. McLean. The Committee also agreed to the Chairman's suggestion that consideration of the question of amalgamation of the Docks and Railway and the question of the grade of the Assistant Engineer, in charge of the Railway work, should be deferred pending further report on these items.

The Trustees also adopted a resolution allowing Mr. W. H. Nelson, Chairman, to contribute to the Provident Fund.

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BOMBAY BABY WEEK.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—I should like to refer to the report of the debate in the Corporation on the question of Baby Week as published in your paper. The opposition of Mr. Arbuthnot and other Councillors to the giving of a grant to Baby Week on the ground of economy is quite understandable, although it might be false economy. But the remarks of Mr. Jamnadas Mehta and Mr. L. R. Tairsee indicate that they are labouring under a misapprehension as regards the work done and the results obtained in the past Baby Weeks. Mr. Jamnadas Mehta said that for all practical purposes the Cowasji Jehangir Hall was outside Bombay and the rest of the City was untouched by any show there. But the fact is that last year the Cowasji Jehangir Hall was visited by something like 15,000 people, the vast majority of whom belonged to the working or lower middle classes and for whom Baby Week propaganda is especially intended. I should like to draw Mr. Mehta's attention to the fact that there were two other centres last year, one at Girgaum and one at Parel, which were attended by nearly a lakh of people of all classes and conditions. I may also point out that this year the Fort centre is being given up and the efforts of the Week concentrated at Girgaum and Parel. Mr. Jamnadas Mehta also thinks that the show is more or less a pastime and amusement and the people have nothing to do with it. I may assure Mr. Mehta that the ladies and gentlemen who devote so much time and energy to make the Week a success, are far from looking at it as amusement and pastime. The crowds of working class mothers who throng the exhibition and are eager to have the meaning of the exhibits explained to them show quite clearly that the significance of the Baby Week goes home to them.

Mr. L. R. Tairsee's remarks that he had been to one of the shows and that it was merely a society gala day is rather extraordinary. Perhaps Mr. Tairsee has in mind the opening ceremony at the Fort which was attended by a large number of prominent citizens of Bombay. But apart from this ceremony, at all other times, on all other days and specially at all other centres the workers of the Baby Week had no easy time of it to cope with the large crowds who showed a great keenness to learn. It was certainly a gala day for those ladies and gentlemen who endeavour to make the Week a success because they feel that the work they are doing and the hours of leisure they are devoting to the Week are productive of material benefit to the poor mothers and little children of this city.—Yours, etc.,

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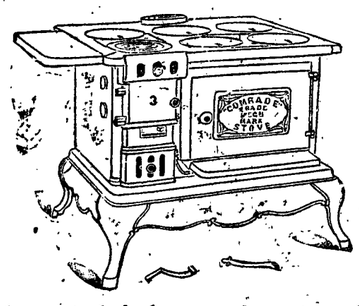

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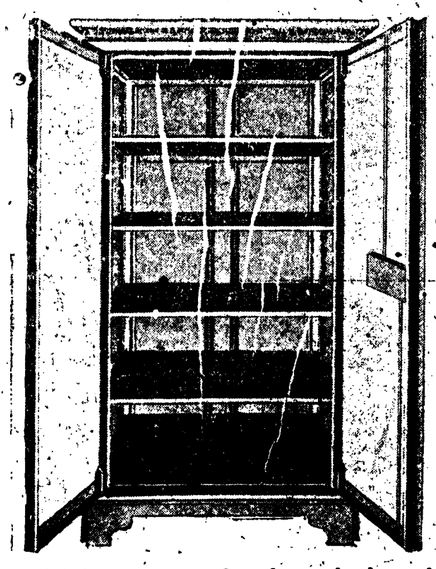

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BUDH GAYA CONTROVERSY.

ENQUIRY COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

PATNA, Dec. 17.

The Committee, appointed by the Congress and the Hindu Mahasabha consisting of Mr. Rajendra Prasad, Mr. Brajkishore, Mr. K. P. Jayaswal, Swami Jayananda and others, regarding the settlement of the Budh Gaya controversy, have signed their report. They find that the temple has all along been a Buddhist Shrine, but the Hindus are also interested in it as a sacred place and the position of the Mahanta of Budh Gaya is that of a trustee. They recommend that the control of worship should be vested in a committee composed of five Hindus and five Buddhists, and the Hindu Minister in Behar and Orissa Government for the time being. They recommend that a bill should be introduced by the Local Legislature to declare the rights of the Buddhists and to regulate the control of worship, both to the convenience of the Buddhists and Hindus.—A. P.

REMAINS OF EX-QUEEN SUPAYALAT ENTOMBED.

RANGOON, Dec. 17.

The remains of ex-Queen Supayalat, wife of ex-King Thibaw of Burma, were removed from her residence in Churchill Road to the Cantonment Gardens at the foot of Shwedagan Pagoda where the site was specially selected by Government for entombment. Government offices, schools and colleges as well as most of the Burmese and Indian business houses were closed. The funeral was largely attended by several prominent Burmans and others including Sir Sao Mawng Sawbwa of Yawnghwe State and Wetmasok Mundauk, the only surviving Minister of ex-King Thibaw's court. Crowds lined the streets when the funeral procession passed through the streets. The procession was headed by a detachment of Rangoon Mounted Police. Behind them came paraphernalia incidental to Burmese Royal funerals such as ancient fans and umbrellas etc. The Governor with a party from the Government House and the Lord Bishop of Rangoon were among those present near the site allotted for entombment. As is customary, the Governor remained standing. Imitation cremation ceremony was gone through, and the coffin was then laid to rest in the tomb. The ex-Queen left behind her four daughters.—A. P.

LUCKNOW-CAWNPORE CONGRESS SPECIAL.

CAWNPORE, Dec. 17.

A special Congress Express train will run from 23rd to 31st daily between Lucknow and Cawnpore provided there are adequate number of passengers. Information is received here that the delegates not dressed in Khadar will not be allowed to enter the Congress pandal.—A. P.

Dinapore, Dec. 17.—The Divisional Superintendent, Dinapore, telegraphs that at 1-35 a.m. on morning of 17th, up and down goods trains collided between Bela and Mukhdumpore on Patna Gaya branch resulting in several wagons being damaged and the line blocked necessitating transhipment of passengers and luggage.—A. P.

A Calcutta correspondent writes:—"Sreemat Swamy Satyanandaji, General Secretary to the Bharat Sevasram Sangha, starts very shortly for Puri with a view to inspect the famine-area. He will see the local officials and prominent persons and visit rural areas to get a first-hand knowledge of the extent and seriousness of the situation. He will soon open centres for gratuitous relief, if immediate action be found necessary. It is to be hoped the Local Relief Committee and district officials will help him in his task."

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PUNJAB JAIL SCANDAL.

SUGGESTION FOR REFORMATIVE PUNISHMENTS.

LAHORE, Dec. 17.

Four witnesses, including Chowdhari Afzal Haq, a member of the Punjab Legislative Council, were examined by the Punjab Jails Enquiry Committee to-day. All witnesses characterised the jail regulations as excessively strict and unnatural, and jail officials as corrupt, and suggested that non-official visitors should be independent and public-spirited men. Chaudhari Afzal Haq, in his evidence, stated that convicts secured unauthorised indulgences with the help of money they kept concealed inside their throats and some convict warders acted as bankers and brought money from the relatives of prisoners when their relatives were allowed to visit them. In his opinion the remedy for all these evils was the abolition of the century-old ideas and method based on the principle of punishments being retributive, and the substitution of a more modern and humane ideal of the punishments being reformative. He thought that even habitual offenders were amenable to reform, and suggested the stoppage of letters and visits by relatives, and longer confinements and occasional solitary cells as adequate punishments for the offence of misbehaviour by convicts.

The Committee also examined Sardar Bahadur Mehtab Singh, an Akali prisoner, in the Lahore Fort *in camera* inside the Fort Sub-Jail where under-trial Akali leaders are confined.—A. P.

MADRAS COUNCIL

MADRAS, Dec. 17.

The Madras Legislative Council reassembled to-day at 11 a.m. There were about 16 interpellations, most of which were of a local interest. One interpellation related to the expenditure of 126 lakhs of rupees of the remission of the provincial contribution.

The Hon. the Finance Member, in reply, stated that about 96 lakhs was applied to meet the deficit in the Budget estimates for 1925-26, and about two lakhs to meet certain further demands which were postponed by the Legislative Council on 30th March 1925, and about 27 lakhs were placed at the disposal of Ministers for expenditure on the schemes relating to the Transferred Departments.

Mr. S. Satyamurthi asked the Finance Member whether this method of distribution of remission of the provincial contribution was not opposed to the resolution passed by the Legislative Assembly and the promise made by the Government of India in the Legislative Assembly that the remitted amount would be utilised towards expenditure in the Transferred Departments.

The Finance Member replied that instructions received from the Government of India were to the effect that the remitted amount was to be utilised mainly towards the expenditure in the Transferred Departments and that the Local Government was not directed to spend the whole amount for the Transferred Departments.

Mr. Satyamurthi stated that the Assembly voted for remission of the provincial contribution in preference to the abolition of the Excise Duty on the express condition that the amount would be wholly utilised towards the expenses of the Transferred Departments and that the application of a major part of it towards the deficit in the estimated budget was opposed to the wishes of the Assembly. The Finance Member said that such an application was towards the expenses for which the House itself had voted.

After interpellations the House proceeded with the discussion on the amendments to the Borstal School Bill and before it rose for the day unanimously passed the Bill into law.—A. P.

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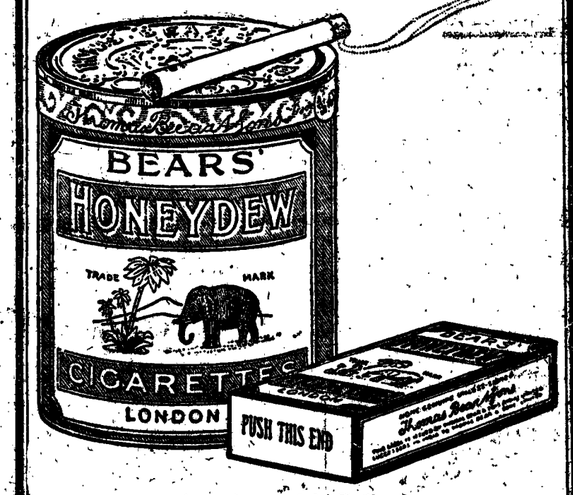

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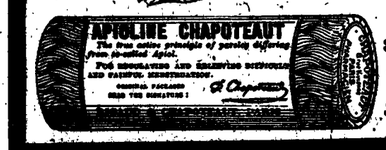

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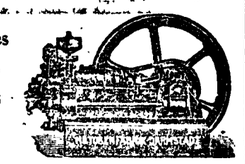

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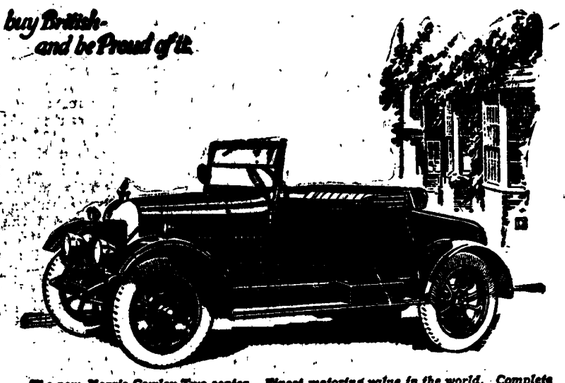

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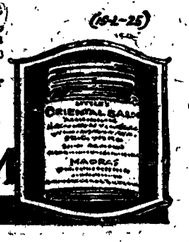

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